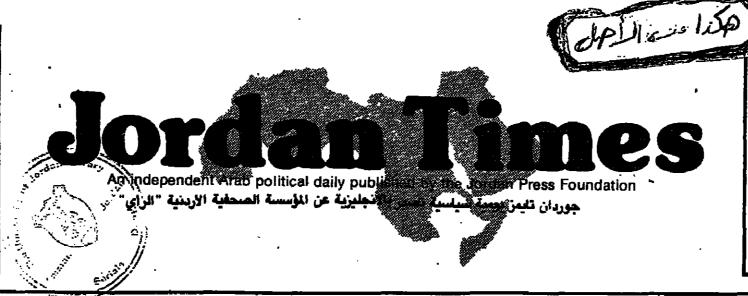
Beirut airport expected to reopen

BEIRUT (R) — The guns fell silent in central Lebanon Friday and officials prepared to reopen Beirut airport after a new peace reement was announced by opposition leaders: Shelling and sniping died away during the afternoon in the traditional trouble spots - the Shoul mountains, Beirut's southern suburbs, the airport area and Kharroub province farther south. The airport had been closed for 16 days due to heavy shelling of Lebanese army positions in the area by Druze militia gunners in the hills a few hundred metres to the east and southeast. Airport officials said they expected flights to resume within a few hours. Workmen were busy clearing the runways, airport employees were called in to prepare the terminal, and the Lebanese army tightened security on approach roads.



Gemayel in Libya to meet Qadhafi

BEIRUT (R) - Lebanese President Amin Gemayel arrived in the Libyan capital of Tripoli Friday, the Libyan news agency JANA reported. The agency, monitored in Beirut, gave no further details. State-run Beirut Radio said Mr. Gemayel was making the unexpected visit to Libya after receiving at the invitation of Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi. It said Mr. Gemayel would leave for an undisclosed destination after "quick consultations" with Col. Oadhafi. Mr. Gemayol arrived in Tripoli from Morocco where held talks with King Hassan II. The Lebanese president concluded a visit to Britain Thursday and flew to Rabat,

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egent sends good ishes to Bahrain

AMAN (J.T.) - His Royal ghness Crown Prince Hassan. Regent, sent a congratulatory He to the emir of Bahrain Shei Isa Ibn Salman Al Khalifa, on occasion of his country's indendence day, the Jordan News jency. Petra, said. In his cable. ince Hassan wished Sheikh Isa od health and the Bahraini peothe realisation of their aspaions of prosperity and pro-

gyptian minister rrives Tuesday

MMAN (J.T.) - Egyptian Ecomy Minister Mustafa Al Sa'id rives in Amman Tuesday to hold iks with Minister of Industry and ade Walid Asfour on issues of lateral concern. Al Ra'i newaper said Friday. The Egyptian mister will be heading a 12ember delegation, including ominent bankers, director of the conomic Department at the gyptian Foreign Ministry and the rector of the Customs Deptment, the newspaper said. Dr. rid, who will meet senior Jormian officials, carries a message His Majesty King Hussein from syptian President Hosni Mubak. Al Ra i said.

srael, Egypt to et free U.S. aid

ASHINGTON (R) -- The Unid States has agreed to give Israel id Egypt more than \$1 billion ch in free military aid in 1985. eagan administration officials id Friday. White House spoesman Larry Speakes said there ould be more emphasis on grants the U.S. military aid proamme for Israel but declined to ovide specific figures. If Coness approves. Israel will receive 1.4 billion and Egypt \$1.1 bilin rossibly more.

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S. envoy, Gromyko iscuss Mideast

OSCOW (R) — U.S. Ambsador Arthur Hartman called on oviet Foreign Minister Andrei romyko Thursday to discuss the tuation in the Middle East where e Kremlin has heavily criticised merican involvement. A U.S. okesman said Mr. Hartman and Ir. Gromyko met for an hour and minutes, but he was unable to

izabeth should visit rael, say U.K. Jews

ONDON (R) - Leaders of Bri-- in's Jews said Friday Queen Elibeth should visit Israel if she ues ahead with a planned visit to rdan next March. The board of eputies of British Jews said in a ess release it had first made the ggestion at a meeting with Bri-ih Foreign Secretary Sir Georey Howe last week. The queen is never visited Israel.

J.N. urges reapons freeze

NITED NATIONS (R) - The .N. General Assembly called nursday for a freeze on nuclear eapons and condemned nuclear ar as "the most monstrous ime."

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Progress is difficult without Palestinian representation and Soviet cooperation, King tells Europarliament Hussein: Israeli rejectionism, Arab disunity and U.S. reluctance to act jeopardise peace efforts

By a Jordan Times Staff Writer

STRASBOURG — Israel's rejectionist policy and the current disarray in Arab ranks coupled with U.S. reluctance to act have jeopardised Middle East peace efforts, His Maiesty King Hussein said Thursday.

The King, who was addressing whole world. the European Parliament here. said repeated failures to tackle the Palestinian problem, the crux of the Middle East conflict, have led to the deteriorating situation in the region.

The King also said that the recently announced U.S.-Israeli strategic alliance agreement has reinforced the view that Washington condones Israeli actions.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) is the sole leg-itimate representative of the Palestinian people and no progress in Middle East peace efforts could be made: without PLO's representation in such efforts, the King said.

The Soviet Union could not be simply be ignored in Middle East peace efforts and the superpower should be included in the peace process, the King said.

Following is the full text of the King's speech: During this tense and critical

phase in superpower relations. while Europe has been preoccupied with the related issues of deployment of nuclear warheads. menacing clouds of unprecedented tension have gathered over the Middle East. A new conflagration in the eastern Mediterranean compounded by war in the Gulf, would threaten not only the fragile peace of the Middle

The Arab World, as you well know. straddles two continents -Asia and Africa - and looks out on oceans, seas and vital universal roots of communications. It is an area which is abundant with natural resources, vital to mankind.

The country which I have the honour to have served for the greater part of my life, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, is part of the greater Arab Nation. The Arab and Hashemite str-

uggle throughout history has been one and the same. I am a proud descendant of the Prophet Mohammad, of the House of Hashim. and most eminent family in Ara-Abdullah, the founder of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Thr- territories. oughout my life I have felt, and will continue to feel humbled ourable and just cause of the Arabs - to their sacred right to

live in freedom, dignity and peace. The root cause of instability and danger in our area is the unresolved Arab-Israeli conflict and the yet unending plight of the people of Palestine. Then my cre-

ociation with Palestine and Palestinians is even deeper in history than that of the present. The Arab him", is the resting place of the founder of the house to which the Prophet Mohammad was born.

Hussein (Ibn Ali), my great grandfather, leader of the Great Arab Revolt, who never compromised Arab or Palestinian rights. lies in his final resting place close to the Dome of the Rock in the holy city of Jerusalem, and to the Aqsa Mosque where I once stood by my grandfather before he fell to an assassin's bullet, have devoted his life to the service of the Arab people and the defence

of Palestinian rights. Jordan is the land of a courageous and proud people who have never bent before advof the tribe of Qureish, the oldest ersities. They have striven to set themselves a positive example to bia. I am the grandson of Al others through clarity of vision. Hussein Ibn Ali, the chosen leader courage and dedication and have of the Great Arab Revolt, often built, despite huge obstacles and known as the Great Arab Revival. an uncertain future for our entire which started at the beginning of area and all who live in it a modthis century. I am the grandson of ern stable oasis of peace and harmony along Israeli occupied Arab

My country has committed itself to the defence of Arab freedom. before the example to the hon- security, stability and the right to progress in the entire Arab World.

Cradle of civilisation

Finally, Jordan is the cradle of civilisation, where in an area and a world of intolerance, a people, believers in one God, live in peace the security of Europe and the problem stem from the fact that of one family. As a Muslim, I know will thus continue to support Iraq a settlement of the Palestine que-

Hashemite, my family's ass- together in friendship and dignity. at a time when Islam, Christianity and Judaism, in many parts of the world, present an image which is city of Gaza, under Israeli occ- totally alien to the spirit in which upation since 1967, known thr- they were meant - the teachings ough history as the "Gaza of Has- of God in terms of tolerance and mutual respect.

Our faith illuminates our path as it has always done and ensures the implementation of God's will of earth, it is thus that we are against all devisive political movements tearing people apart. The example of Lebanon must serve as a warning to us all. It must not be allowed to be repeated elsewhere.

We have availed our national

duty and obligations in an imposed and unjust war against Iraq. Although we have not hesitated to support Iraq, we look for the earliest end to the costly and menacing war. Iraq on its part has responded positively to every initiative to bring hostilities to a conclusion. The dispute over the demarcation of the border must be settled according to international laws and conventions and known historical rights, Relations between Iran and Iraq, and all their neighbours, must be based on the solid foundations of mutual respect for the independence and territorial integrity and noninterference in the domestic affairs of each other.

As in the tragic case of Lebanon, nothing is more evil, nor more sinister, than the veiled attempts to fragment the social fabric of Iraq which have failed before the unity of its people. Such attempts are clearly directed towards weakening, fragmenting and eventually destroying the structure of

those most intimately associated otheistic religions. It completes name of faith, while its objectives with the Palestinian people. As a God's message to mankind to live are as alien to faith and the teachings of God as they are devisive and destructive.

The current deterioration in the Middle East situation is the result of many divergent political factors. Chief among these is the repeated failure to tackle the question of Palestine, the root cause of the

Middle East problem. For too long it has been allowed to fester and poison the dynamics of domestic politics not only in the Arab states but in Israel as well. The denial of Palestinian legitimate rights has triggered off a fresh wave of extremist politics which could undermine the social tranquility of other states in the region, just as it has destroyed the structure of Lebanese society.

Palestinian-Jordanian links

Our relations with Palestine as a country, and the Palestinians as a people, are deep and long. The long chain of historical, cultural, economic and political linkages between the two banks of Jordan cannot be easily broken or abandoned. It has been attested to by the resolution of the Palestine National Council in February 1983 to move towards a confederation between the occupied territories and Jordan. For many reasons there is little doubt in anyone's mind that Jordan has been a natural choice as a partner in working towards the determination of their future.

The unity of the two banks of the Jordan promulgated in 1950. was based on self-determination and the expression of free will. The constitution of 1951 stipulated unreservedly that the unification of the two banks would East but would pose a threat to dentials for speaking to you on this and total harmony as members of the Arab states beyond Iraq. We not prejudice the final outcome of eithe for territorial expansion as

In the meantime, we have remained conscious of the fact that Palestinian national rights would not be foresaken. Those were the principles that guided our action then, and remain our guidelines for the future.

It is within this context that both Jordan and the Palestinian Liberation Organisation have proposed that the occupied West Bank and Gaza be linked in a form of confederation with Jordan. This common understanding would have made peace negotiations possible but for three major considerations:

The first is Israel's rejectionist policy and its adamant refusal to implement provisions of international law and United Nations resolutions. Since its inception. Israel has charted a deliberate course to spoil every peace plan which could have led to a just settlement of the Palestinian que-

Israeli leaders have waged a constant and relentless war, deploying their enormous military might to sap the national will of the Palestinian people. The purpose is to alter the Arab character of their homeland. War, followed by creeping annexation have become the hallmarks of Israeli expansionist policies. It started with Jerusalem, it was followed by the Golan Heights. Claims are staked for the West Bank and Gaza, no doubt. And if permitted, southern Lebanon will become the "northern bank" of Jordan, as Israeli forces have sealed off an improtant and integral part of Lebanon's national territory. Not even Egypt, an Arab state which has concluded a peace treaty, has escaped Israel's insatiable app-

Israel seems to be encouraged in its expansionist quest by the American reluctance to abide clearly by a fundamental principle of international law which makes the acquisition of territory by force

The second is the prevailing disarry in Arab ranks and the absence of a pan-Arab consensus. The charter of the Arab League which has governed all joint Arab endeavours including the summit activities, has been based on the concept of the need for total consensus on all issues — a crippling approach which the majority amongst us are determined to urgently rectify.

However, more crucial than either of these two considerations is the reluctance of the United States to act decisively and promptly on its undertaking of peace mak-

This feature of American policy making has often been interpreted as condonement of Israeli action. whether in the occupied territories or in Lebanon. Recently this view has been reinforced by the more significant reconstitution of the so-called strategic co-operation and alliance between the United States and Israel whereby American funding for further Israeli settlements will be available, contrary to the letter and spirit of President Reagan's own peace proposals. These factors have allowed Israel to pursue its expansionist policy unhampered. They have all but totally destroyed United States credibility and allowed the spectre of superpower polarisation to loom menacingly over the area. Finally, they permitted Arab radicals and unrepresentative elements within the

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Ships leave Greece to pick up PLO men

ATHENS (R) - The first of five ships due to evacuate embattled Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and his men from Lebanon on Monday left Friday and the rest of the fleet was expected to follow soon, harbour sources said.

The 5.003-ton Vergina, procured by the government on behalf of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), had left from the Athens port of Piraeus, they

All five passenger vessels will be in the Lebanese port of Tripoli by Monday for Mr. Arafat, his 4.000 men and their families to start boarding at first light, government spokesman Dimitrios Maroudas added.

Asked about press reports that Israel had not guaranteed not to attack the vessels, Mr. Maroudas said: "We have all the necessary guarantees."

He said the ships, which are setting out under the Greek flag, may also be issued with United Nations flags after they pick up the gue-rrillas to take them to Tunis or

France to provide protection

France will provide protection for the evacuation of Mr. Arafat and his men from Tripoli, French

state radio said Thursday. The radio, quoting Palestinian sources, said French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson had sent Mr. Arafat a message informing him of the French government's decision.

It said the French navy was expected to send two frigates currently cruising off Lebanon in the Mediterranean with the aircraft carrier Clemenceau to escort the

Israelis continue attacks

Meanwhile, Israeli gunboats pounded Palestinian targets Thursday in northern Lebanon for the

fourth time in a week-Israeli naval units carried out their first attack on the beleaguered Arafat forces last Friday and followed this up with two

more raids on Tuesday. Israel refuses to pledge not to attack PLO flotilla

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) icial said.

Mr. Rumsfeld and Prime Minald Rumsfeld held private talks ister Yitzhak Shamir met alone for with Israeli leaders Friday but Isr- 70 minutes to discuss the situation ael made no commitment on the in Lebanon, the official said. evacuation of Palestinian leader Mr. Rumsfeld told reporters Yasser Arafat and his guerrillas after the meeting; "Any comment

from Lebanon, a senior Israeli off- might harm my mission." MNF must keep out of internal Lebanese affairs, says Junblatt

By Ibrahim Noori Reuter

AMMAN - Lebanese Druze leader Walid Junblatt said here Friday the Multi-National Force (MNF) in Lebanon should keep out of Lebanese internal affairs or

leave the country.

"The force has become aggressive. It should either redefine its role and keep out of internal affairs or it should leave Lebanon," he told Reuters.

Mr. Junblatt's remarks came after the U.S. battleship New Jersey shelled the Druze stronghold

Hussein arrives in London

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein arrived in London Friday on a private visit to the United Kingdom during which he is scheduled to meet British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the Jordanian News Agency, Petra,

reported from London. . The King had left Strasbourg after addressing the European Partiament Thursday on the latest development in the Middle East situation and obstacles hindering the establishment of peace in the region. In his address, the King called for an active European role for reducing tensions between the two superpowers, the United States and the Soviet Union.

The King's speech met great official attention and concern at the European level, and was a leading event in European media coverage. After one hour from the speech, the European Parliament took a decision to send a representative mission to the Middle East to tour a number of Middle Fast countries headed by its pre-

Prophet's birthday falls today

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan along with the Arab and Muslim worlds Saturday celebrates the anniversary of Prophet Mohammad's birth. On the holy occasion, the Royal Court received congratulatory cables addressed to His Majesty King Hussein and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, from Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Upper House of Parliament Speaker Ahmad Al Tarawneh, National Consultative Council Speaker Suleiman Arar and senior Jordanian civil and military officials.

Under the patronage of King Hassein, a religious festival for celebrating the occasion will be held at Al Hussein Sports City

Kuwait attacker identified Iraq continues air raids as pro-Iran Iraqi rebel

KUWAIT (R) - Kuwaiti newspapers Friday identified the suicide truck driver killed in a bomb ails. attack on the U.S. embassy last

Monday as an Iraqi. said the Iraqi named by the papers as Ra'ad Musten Ageel had faced a death sentence in Baghdad for criminal activities.

The spokesman said Ageel, 25. had been a member of the outlawed Muslim fundamentalist Iraqi capital and a "staunch sup-

porter of Iran's policies." He said Ageel's brother Sae'ed had been executed in May 1980 on similar criminal charges.

The Kuwaiti authorities, meaon Sunday before being made ving the country.

They declined to give any det-

The authorities have given the official death toll as four - three An Iraqi embassy spokesman, at the U.S. embassy and one at the in a statement issued to reporters. airport. U.S. Charge d'Affaires Philip Griffin subsequently said two more bodies had been found in embassy wreckage.

The attacks, in which over 60 people were injured, had been directed against the U.S. and French embassies, the airport, an 'Iranian Dawa Group' in the American residential compound. a government office and a vital industrial complex south of the city. Another bomb outside a pas-

sport office had been defused. Tight security measures remain in force at the airport, with some nwhile, said investigations into airlines reporting delays of up to attacks had been completed and two hours while stringent checks would be presented to the cabinet are made on Arab nationals lea-

on 'selected' Iran towns BAGHDAD (R; - Iraq said its tiatives. jets had attacked selected tar-

gets" in the southwest franian city of llam and the border town of Dehloran Thursday afternoon. The Iraqi News Agency (INA)

quoted a military spokesman as saying the raids were further retaliation for Monday's wave of bombings in Kuwait. Iraq accused Iran of being beh-

ind the Kuwait attacks, in which at least six people were killed. Tehran has denied any involvement. The latest raids follow Iraqi missile and air attacks on five Iranian towns Wednesday in which

Iran has said 29 people were

known to have died, with more than 300 injured. The Iraqi spokesman said the raids were also in retaliation for Iran's insistence on prolonging the three-year-old war and its rejection of international peace ini- bings.

They also demonstrated "Iraq's capability to carry out its fair reaction against the criminal and aggressive acts against our people and the Arab Nation," the agency

quoted him as saving. The spokesman said the jets had scored "direct and effective hits." and had all returned to base safely.

iran confirms attack

Iran confirmed that Iraqi jets had raided Ilam and Dehloran. injuring at least 10 people.

The national news agency IRNA said all the injuries were in Iran said 20 people died and more than 300 were injured in the

Tive towns Wednesday and denied involvement in the Kuwait bom-

U.N. clarifies position on resettlement plan

AMMAN (J.T.) - The int- and does not envisage being invernational press has recently reported that the Israeli authorities of UNRWA statement released are considering a plan drawn up by a committee chaired by minister without portfolio Mordechai Ben Porat for the resettlement of Palestine refugees living in camps in the West Bank.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) has not been associated with the development of the Israeli plan.

here on Friday said.

It is, however, appropriate that UNRWA should clarify its position with regard to the plan, for the benefit both of governments and of the Palestine refugees, the statement, issued by the agency's head office in Vienna. added.

The agency certainly does not oppose measures voluntarily accepted by the refugees which are

intended to improve their living conditions. On the other hand, it the established camps. The camps would strongly object to any att-shelters thus vacated are demempt to coerce refugees into com- olished. pliance with any particular sch-

The agency has not yet seen the text of the plan. However, it is understood that the resettlement proposal may resemble the process that has been under way for some years in the Gaza Strip, whe-

quarter of the refugees registered with UNRWA live in camps. The remaining 75 per cent are scattered in towns and villages

In the West Bank only about a

The United Nations General Assembly is expected to extend reby refugees are invited to buy UNRWA's mandate for a further plots of land or housing developed three years, to June 1987.

Vienna talks failure sets back disarmament hopes

VIENNA (R) — Suspension of the last major East-West disarmament forum here Thursday has seriously damaged hopes of arms reductions in Europe and

relations to an all-time low, Western diplomats said. The Vienna talks between the Warsaw Pact and NATO, aimed at reducing the level of conventional forces stationed in central Europe, were adjourned Thursday with the Eastern bloc ref-

Thursday brought superpower

The talks, which went on for 10 years without reaching an agreement, normally reconvene in January or February after a Christmas break and the resumption date is normally announced at the

last pre-Christmas session. But the East German delegate. speaking for the Eastern bloc at Thursday's closing session. said the West did not negotiate seriously and this "raised the acute question of whether the Vienna using to agree a date for their res- talks can continue in the present. Vienna said a date for resuming about superpower summit, page 8

"We seem to have reached a new ice age in East-West relations," one Western diplomat

commented afterwards. The Warsaw Pact move followed a Soviet walk-out from medium-range nuclear missile talks with the United States at Geneva last month and the suspension of parallel long-range missile negotiations there a week

the conventional force reduction dialogue could be discussed later through diplomatic channels.

Focus on Stockholm meeting "But he could mean anything from next month to next year." one diplomat said. The absence of any functioning, major arms reduction forum now cast the spotlight on a European security conference opening in Stockholm in

January, he added. A Warsaw Pact spokesman in Trudeau fails to convince Reagan

Evacuation of besieged Christian Lebanese refugees under way

BEIRUT (R) - About 500 Lebanese Christian refugees left the besieged town of Deir Al-Qamar in Red Cross buses Friday in the second stage of an evacuation, an official at the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said.

More than 2.000 Christian fig- 4.500 civilians from the town at a hters and about 500 civilians left Thursday in the first phase of the evacuation after Druze militiamen lifted their siege to allow the Christians to spend Christmas and the new year with their families.

The Druze have trapped some 10.000 refugees along with up to 2.500 fighters of the right-wing Falangist "Lebanese Forces" for three months in Deir Al-Qamar, which normally holds 5,000 residents.

The Christian fighters left Thursday under Israeli escort and 500 civilians left on 12 Red Cross buses, arriving in east Beirut to a

tearful but joyful welcome. The Red Cross estimated it would have to transport up to Forces" convoy.

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was not planning to mediate bet-

ween the two neighbours.
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OFFENBACH, West Germany

(R) - Iran is interested in com-

pleting construction of two Gulf

nuclear power stations which have

stood semi-finished since the Ira-

nian revolution in 1979, the West

German firm in charge of the pro-

A spokesman for Kraftwerk

Union AG (KWU), a major sup-

plier of nuclear plants, said Iran

had asked the company to assess

the feasibility of finishing the

power stations, which would be

the country's first nuclear rea-

KWU had agreed to send a

team of experts to the site at the

coastal town of Bushehr, about

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firm to complete

rate of 500 a day. In addition. about 1,000 more would drive out in their own cars, the ICRC official said.

Some 4,000 to 5,000 refugees will stay behind along with the 5.000 residents, guarded by 2000 Lebanese internal security forces.

The Falangist fighters minimised travel through hostile territory Thursday by going to Beirut from the southern port of Sidon by

The only incident reported was in the village of Kfar Him, on the main road from Deir Al-Qamar to the coast, where Druze villagers threw stones at the "Lebanese

The Voice of Lebanon, radio station of the Falangist rightists. pared to move out. Thursday. said 15 people were injured in the

A statement from the Progressive Socialist Party (PSP), the political arm of the Druze militias. said the Falangist fighters provoked the people of Kfar Him by wearing military uniform. flying Falangist Party flags and dis-playing pictures of assassinated Falangist leader Bashir Gemavel.

"In such circumstances it was only natural that the villagers should react, so they gathered tog-ether and attacked the vehicles." the statement said.

It added that they set fire to the trucks and destroyed heavy weapons the Falangist fighters were trying to smuggle out of the town. If such "provocative acts" continued the Druze would call off the

evacuation process, it said. But all the fighters have now left and the Druze statement made clear the threat would not affect civilians.

As the Falangist fighters precrowds waited to cheer and shower them with rice.

The civilian convoy included Red Cross ambulances carrying 15 wounded fighters and seven

In Jezzine, a Maronite town, church bells rang as the civilian refugees arrived. They were greeted with flowers, sandwiches and the cheers of blue-smocked schoolchildren.

But many civilians have decided to stay rather than be evacuated to Beirut. hoping eventually to return to their homes once a settlement is reached in the mou-

Red Cross organiser Serge Caccia said the first to be evacuated were those who had lived in the worst conditions in Deir Al-Oamar. The drawn, tense faces of the women and children in the buses gave credence to his ass-



Sgt. Herve Richard, a member of the French peacekeeping force in Beirut, talks to two Shi'ite youths in west Beirut. Despite attacks on the French forces, the French troops still run patrols around the city (A.P. wirephoto)

Iraq disappointed with U.S.-Israeli pact

PEKING (R) — Iraqi Foreign ntries, they would like to see an Minister Tareq Aziz said Thuearly early end to it (the war)." Mr. Aziz rsday he was disappointed with told journalists at a press conthe recent U.S.-Israeli sucurity ference in the Great Hall of the pact, and noted that it had been People. "They didn't tell me that they condemned even by pro-American Arab countries. planned to make any special dip-

Mr. Aziz said at the end of a lomatic initiative in this respect." three-day visit to China that he he added. had not discussed military co-Asked about the U.S.-Israeli operation with Chinese leaders."! security pact, Mr. Aziz said: "This do not deal with such issues. The aim of my visit is merely political."

Iran asks German

pact has disappointed even the friends of the United States in our Mr. Aziz declined to comment "When Israel needs to be crion reports that China has been

ticised and pressed to stop such policies (in Lebanon and the West three-year war. He also said China Bank) it (the United States) goes ahead making an agreement which shows more support," he

Greece fails to revive **Euro-Arab dialogue**

ATHENS (R) — An attempt by Greece, the current president of the European Community, to breathe life into a loose political dialogue between the 10-nation bloc and the Arab League has foundered, diplomats said.

Organisers of a three-day meeing between foreign ministry officials from the Community and the 22-member league cancelled a planned final news conference Vednesday evening.

Instead delegates worked into the night, but by midday Thursday there was still no statement fortheoming from either side.

this was because the European five years.

Community had resisted Arab attempts to get a strongly worded condemnation of Israel and a firm commitment to Palestinian statehood written into a joint final

They said the Arab League delegates also baulked at European insistence on a reference to the security of Israel as well as that of other states in the region.

The meeting, part of an int-ermittent series of exchanges between the blocs, grouped officials up to the rank of permanent under-secretary and senior ambassador - the highest level on Diplomats in both camps said which the two sides have met for

U.N. renews mandate of troops in Cyprus

Security Council Thursday una nimously approved a six-month uments that the secessionist move extension of the mandate of the U.N. Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) but without the agreement of Turkey or

ered by the late shah of Iran at a all parties concerned with the total cost of nine billion marks Cyprus problem failed to give (\$3.3 billion), but KWU stopped the project in 1979 when Islamic leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini took power.

One reactor is 85 per cent finished, the other 70 per cent. The KWU spokesman said the team would check the plants for

(80) kilometres southwest of Shiraz. he said. Turkish-Cypriots. The two 1300-megawatt pressurised water reactors were ordforce was established in 1964 that

> advance consent to the renewal. Before the vote the Turkish-Cypriots said they would demand that their future relations with the force be placed on a new footing.
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> Addressing the council after the

vote Cypriot U.N. representative Constantine Moushoutas described the declaration of a steel corrosion and rust. It appeared that additional costs due to the delay in completion could be at the dismemberment of Cyprus. there part of the island

UNITED NATIONS (R) — The He said Turkey was behind the came freely from the Turkish-Cypriots living in the north received the international contempt which it deserved."

ln a pre-vote comment. It was the first time since the Turkish-Cypriot representative Nail Ataly said: "As from tomorrow morning, everything will be redefined by my authorities visa-vis UNFICYP.

Turkish Cypriots reject U.N. move

NICOSIA (R) - Turkish Cypriots Friday rejected a U.N. resolution renewing the mandate of the U.N. peacekeeping in Cyprus Turkish-Cypriot state in northern (UNFICYP) but said soldiers of Cyprus as a heinous crime aimed the force could remain in the nor-

2 French troops killed

BEIRUT (R) - Two French soldiers of the Multinational Force were killed in Lebanon late Wednesday night and early Friday, a French military spokesman said.

He said a non-commissioned officer was killed by an artillery shell while on an "observation mission" just before midnight but would not say where.

He said the location of the incident was a military secret, but Lebanese military sources said he was killed at Beit Meri. a Christian area in the hills about 15 kilometres east of Beirut.

The two were the 80th and 81st French soldiers killed since the Multinational Force arrived.

More in U.S. disapprove of Marine peacekeeping

WASHINGTON (R) - Public well as any president could." support for keeping United States . Meanwhile, the death toll in the Marines in Lebanon has dropped truck bombing of the U.S. Marine significantly during the past headquarters in Being has risen to month, according to a Washington 241, the Pentagus said. Post-ABC television poll.

The poll showed Thursday that 48 per cent of 1.506 people surveyed during the past week felt that the Marines should be withdrawan compared with only 39 per cent a month ago. The poll said that half of those

contacted disapproved of the way President Reagan was handling the Lebanon crisis.

But six out of ten said he was handling the situation there "as

were from the army. Defence Secretary Caspar Wei-

Thursday.

nberger has named a board to investigate the bombing and security at the Marine headquarters at Beirut airport.

The Defence Department said

one of the Maxines wounded in the

Oct. 23 incident died in hospital

Of the 241 dead, 220 were Mar-

ines. If were in the navy and three

Marines fire at U.S. TV men in Beirut

BEIRUT (R) - An American television journalist and Lebanese driver were wounded Thursday when a U.S. Marine opened fire on their car near Beirut Airport. their office said.

The driver, carrying a two-man camera crew from the Washington and North Carolina television station WITN, had taken a wrong turning into the U.S. Marine com-

U.S. earmarks \$2.5b for

Mr. Corcoran was taken to the U.S. helicopter carrier Guam off the Lebanese coast for treatment. The driver was in a Beirut hospital with superficial wounds. The other journalist in the car. cameraman Robert Perry, was unharmed.

Egypt, Israel NEW YORK (R) - The Reagan administration, in a policy switch to outright foreign military aid grants, has earmarked \$1.4 billion

the New York Times reported Friday. The Times said the adm inistration was proposing a \$1.1 billion grant for Egypt." The grants would not have to be

for Israel in the next fiscal year.

repaid. according to administration officials quoted by the newspaper. They said the change was being made because most military aid recipients could not afford to repay loans.

In the current financial year. which began on Oct. 1. Israel is to receive \$1.7 billion, of which it is due to repay 50 per cent.

U.S. should check Israel's

Zogby, the executive director of the Arab-American Anti- Israel's human rights record had Discrimination Committee, has been its worst ever. issued a statement on Israel's 1983 violations of Palestinian ADC's preliminary survey of Isr-human rights, which he submitted acli 1983 practices in the occupied human rights, which he submitted late in November to the U.S. State Arab lands, that this has been a Department ahead of the department's annual human rights estinian people. Dr. Zogby added. report. The following is the full. text of Dr. Zogby's statement: - orded the following:

Israel's 1982 invasion and occupation of the south of Lebanon itary occupations of at least 103 has created a new and potentially devastating instability in the Middle Fast.

Far from resolving any aspects of the Middle East conflict. Israel's actions have served only to heighten tensions in the region and accelerate the possibility of a major conflagration - involving. for the first time. U.S. military personnel. Dr. Zogby said.

Even for Israel, the invasion and continuing occupation have spelled disaster. In fact, only one Israeli objective was met as a result of the Lebanon war. U.S. and world attention is now focused on Lebanon — little, if any attention is given to Israel's move towards de facto annexation of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Dr. Zogby said that when ADC

published "The Bitter Year:

Arabs Under Israeli Occupation in 1982," it observed that in 1982. li appears certain from only

Jevastating year for the Pal-Since January. ADČ had rec-

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The illegal demolition of 157 private homes. The imposition of 86 curfews on

entire villages and refugee camps - in each instance these were imposed as collective punishment in violation of international law. 61 cases of forced land expropriations from individual deeded land owners - these expropriations have served as a pre-

building. The killing of 17 Palestinians (by both Israeli soldiers and armed settler vigilante groups). 9 documented cases of torture during interrogation, and 3 cases of forced expulsion to Jordan.

lude for accelerated settlement-

At the same time ADC has been able to document:

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toward civilians as well as a nathumiliate the captive population. person (PL 93-559). A serious worsening in prison

conditions, especially in the infamous Nafha prison. An intensification of censorship

and political repression.

U.S. aid to Israel

It is a matter of U.S. public law universities and secondary sch- that the human rights record of a that government can qualify for U.S. military and economic aid.

The State Department is mandated by U.S. public law (PL 94-329; to prepare "full and complete" annual reports on the human rights practices of all countries for which the executive branch is proposing to give military or economic assistance.

This law prohibits the granting of such U.S. foreign aid to any country the government of which engages in a consistent pattern of gross violations of internationally recognised human rights. Dr. Zogby pointed out.

An earlier piece of U.S. human rights legislation identifies these "violations" as including torture. or cruel, inhuman or degrading

An increase in instances of off- treatment or punishment; proicial harassment and brutality longed detention without charges: or flagrant denials of the rights of tern of police tactics designed to life, liberty and the security of the

Since Israel is the single largest recipient of U.S. military and economic aid (Israel receives 33 per cent of all U.S. torcign aid, - it is especially important that lerael's human "rights record be ser-In past years, U.S "human

rights legislation" has been obsgovernment be approved before exially in its application to Israel. The Congress and the State Department have failed to honour

these laws which they have passed and sworn to uphold. Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza have been the most obvious victims.

In the wake of Israel's invasion of Lebanon the U.S. role in the Middle East has been radically transformed, U.S. is no longer a mere supplier of billions of dollars in arms and aid to the government of Israel. Today, the U.S. has thousands of U.S. military personnel on or off-shore Lebanon.

President Reagan is determined to have the U.S. be viewed as neutral peacekeeper and arbiter of the disputes that divide the peoples of

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Dr. Adnas Al Halboni

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16:00	Islamic Programme
	Programme Review
19:30	Local Programme
20:00	News in Arabic
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FOREIGN CHANNEL

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21:00	Documentary - Portrait of
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considerable, he said.

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WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY'S EVENTS

FILM

"L'Assasinat du Pere Noel" (sub-titled in Arabic) at the French Cultural Centre at 7:30 p.m.

CONCERTS

By German pianist Wolfram Lor-enzen, at the Royal Cultural Centre at 8:00 p.m.

* The Buds Band and Malik Madi perform at the Royal Cultural Centre studio theatre at 7:00 p.m.

EXHIBITION

 Photographs by James Gold Higgs at the Alia Art Gallery. CULTURAL CENTRES

Royal Cultural Centre . Tel. 6	61026/7
American Centre	. 44371
American Centre Library	41520
British Council	36147-8
French Cultural Centre	. 37009
Goethe Institute	. 41993
Soviet Cultural Centre	44203
Spanish Cultural Centre	
Turkish Cultural Centre	39777
Haya Arts Centre	665195
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Amman Municipal Library	. 36111
University of Jordan Library	843555

MUSEUMS

Fulkiore Museum: Jeweiry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mossics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman-Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round, Tel. 51760. Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan, Jabal Al Qal'a (Citade, Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 c.m. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10,00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays. Jordan National Gallery: Contains a col-

lection of paintings, ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabai Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 30128.

Martyra' Memorial (Military Municum): Collection of military memorabilis dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916.

Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel.

a.m. 4 p.m. Cosed Saturdays. 1et. 664240.

Popular Life of Jordau Maseum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 37169.

SERVICE CLUBS

Lions Amman Clab. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Tyche Hotel, 1.30 p.m. Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Amusen Marriott Hotel, 1.30 p.m.

Pisaciphia Rotary Club. Meetings
every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn.
1:30 p.m.

CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Amman, tel. 24590. Church of the Annuaciation (Ross Catholic) Jabal Luweibdeh, 37440. De la Selle Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Hussein, 661757. Church of the Amusiciation (Greek Orthodox) Abdali, 23541. Auglican Church (Church of the Redeemer) Jabal Amman, 41559 un Catholic Church Ashrafich, 71331. rmenian Orthodox Church Ashrafieh, 75261. St. Ephralm Cherch (Syrian Orthodox) Ashrafich, 71751.

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10:00	Doha, Bahrain (RJ)
13:00	New York (RJ)
14:40	Kowait (KAC)
	Belgrade, Istanbul (RJ)
16:45	Larnaca (RJ)
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	Italian lire (for 100) 22.3/	22.
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Al-Muasher Hospital	. 667227.
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Norway makes additional contribution to UNRWA

AMMAN (J.T.) — The government of Norway has made an additional cash contribution of N.Kr. 6 million (about \$802,000) to UNRWA. This brings Norway's total cash contribution for 1983 to N.Kr. 56 million (about \$7.7 million). according to a statement issued here Thursday by the UNRWA office.

UNRWA Commissioner-General Olof Rydbeck expressed his gratitude to Norway for the reducing the large deficit on the agency's 1983 budget as well as towards building up the cash. balances which could be dangerously low by the end of the y-

Mr. Rydbeck also thanked the Norwegian government for its Bank and Gaza Strip.

"unfailing support at a time when the demands on UNRWA's resources are ever increasing, in the face of a lower level of total income compared with the previous year", the statement said.

Including this most recent contribution. Norway has contributed more than. \$39 million in cash to UNRWA since the agency began operations in 1950.

UNRWA, the United Nations generous assistance towards Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East. provides education, health and welfare services to those eligible among the 1.9 million registered Palestine refugees living in Jordan. Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic and the occupied West

Tourism study gets okay

AMMAN (Petra) - An agreement between the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities and Travel and Air Institute (TAI) of Europe to carry out a study on the present touristic situation in Jordan and to outline future tourism policies in the country was signed Thursday.

The project is being financed by a grant from the European Economic Community (EEC). a representative of which took part in the signing ceremony, along with the director-general of the Ministry of Tourism, Michael Hamarneh, and a representative for institute of consultants.

The company will assess the accomplishments made in tourism level in the past development plans, and will note the average stay made by tourists in Jordan as well as proposing ways of prolonging their stay in order to increase revenues.

Tourist marketing plans up to the year 2,000 will be submitted by the consulting company, and special emphasis will be laid on the role of Alia. Royal Jordanian Airline. in promoting marketing.

The volume of hotel tournover and future hotel services will also be tackled by the study. International experts will take part in the study which will start at the beginning of next year.

A team comprising ministry and Alia officials will co-operate with

JEA, British bank sign loan agreement

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Jordan Electricity Authority (JEA). Thursday signed a £4.96 million loan agreement with the British merchant bank J. Henry Sohroder Wagg & Co. Ltd. for the financing of part of the Aqaba' Amman 400 kilovolt transmission line con-

The loan, which was signed by

the Minister of Industry and Trade, Mr. Walid Asfour, in his canacity as chairman of the board of the JEA, is repayable over eight and a half years from the date of commissioning of the line. Interest payable at the current Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development paigning among women for can-(OECD) consensus rate of 10.7 didates was noticeable both durperation and Development



Banners adorn the streets of Irbid during the municipal elections held there Wednesday (Photo by Yousef Al 'Allan)

Election landslide for 'Cooperation' list

IRBID (J.T.) - President of the Irbid municipal election committee Zuhair Abu Riei Thursday morning officially announced the results of the local election which took place Wednesday, the Jordanian News Agency. Petra, reported.

The new nine-member municipal council comprises Dr. Abdul Razzag Theishat who received 10.104 votes: Dr. Omar Qasrawi with 6.632 votes; Dr. Qasem Al Rousan with 5,847 votes; Yussef AJ Tal with 5.810 votes: Ibrahim Matalqah with 5.536 votes; Khalil Al Sane' with 5.297 votes: Mohammad Ali Bani Hani with 5.099 votes; Haroun Al Sharaireh with 4.974 votes and Musleh Al A'zzeh with 4.714

Irbid Governor Abed Khalaf Dawoudieh told Petra that the elections were held in an atmosphere of "order and organisation." and the supervising body tried their best to guarantee a free election thus ensuring hea-Ithy progress in the electoral pro-

Sixteen thousand voters took part in the election from among the 31.000 officially registered for the vote, he said.

The Irbid municipal election is the first in Jordan in which women cast votes in great numbers after gaining the right to vote and stand in elections. Women's participation in the election was higher than expected and caming and before election day.

Twenty voting centres were set up for the election and candidates had the right to appoint a representative in each centre. Some supervising committee members complained that illiterate voters usually took longer to complete the voting.

Candidates in the election were grouped in four lists in addition to two "independent" candidates. It was noticeable that Al Ta'awun (cooperation) list was the best organised and the election results was sweepingly in its favour: eight out of nine on the new council being among its members. Petra said. The only candidate from the

other lists to win was Mr. Tal, head of the National Unity list. Mr. Theishat, the present mayor of Irbid and head of the



Abdul Razaq Theishat

and is expected to be reappointed mayor by the Ministry of the Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Ta'awun list, got the highest vote Environment.

Malhas opens meeting

opened a meeting at the Professional Association's Complex as part of Jordan's first "Nursing Day." It was organised by the Nursing Professions Trade Union under the motto of "who is the patient that needs intensive

meeting, said nursing has a vital: specialists.

AMMAN (Petra) - Minister of role to play in the provision of Health Zuhair Malhas Thursday medical services and added that. although many nursing colleges have been set up in Jordan. Jordanian hospitals and medical centres still suffer from a shortage of licenced nurses,

> The Nursing Day was also celebrated by scientific seminars. and medical lectures given by-311 · I

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Dr. Malhas, on addressing the

ther later on to Manila. With the addition of these new routes to the existing 36 des-

This year Alia carried .550.000 passengers and 36.000

Alia to buy 5 new TriStars

By Ara Voskian Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airlines, will add five more TriStars (L-1011-500) to its fleet during the coming three years, one of which will be received in February 1984, while extending its services to Chicago and Los Angeles in the west and Colombo and Singapore in the east, Alia President and Chairman of the Board of Directors Ali Ghandour announced Thursday.

Alia's 17-aircraft fleet already ncludes five TriStars, the rest consisting of three Boeing 747s, six Boeing 727s and three Boeing

Speaking at a press conference. on the occasion of Alia's 20th anniversary. Mr. Ghandour said: There were several reasons for taking this decision. "Primarily the TriStar is one of the most modern air planes, technically more modern than the Boeing 747, and our passengers prefer the TriStar to the rest of the planes."

"All Alia pilots and engineers are trained to fly and maintain the plane." Mr. Ghandour said. adding: "Furthermore. if Alia had placed the order for a Boeing 747 jumbo we would have received it in two years while the TriStar was ready for delivery."

On the economic side of the purchase, the Alia chairman said that the jumbo costs \$106 million including the seats and other essential equipment inside the aircraft, while the TriStar costs almost one quarter of the price and carries enough passengers to cover its cost and leave a profit margin. "It is an excellent aircraft technically and economically." he

Alia is also studying the possibility of replacing its Boeing 727 aircraft and the remaining Boeing 707s with either Boeing 757s or 767s or the Airbus to be used on the Middle East and Gulf flight and for some of the European flights.

"We are going to make our choice in the near future." Mr. Ghandour said. "We shall receive the new planes in 1986."

Concerning the new routes. Alia will start operating two new flights to Chicago and Los Angeles adding to the seven flights a week to New York, Wr Ghandout

He added that there will also be two new routes to the east, to Colombo in Sri Lanka and Singapore. It is hoped, he said "to add ano-

tinations, Mr. Ghandour said, the number of Alia passengers is expected to rise to 1.850.000 in 1984 while 48,000 tons of cargo will be oughout its 20 years of existence. carried and the corporation's revenues will reach JD 150 million.

tons of cargo.
In addition to these routes, Mr. Ghandour will be leaving for China soon to discuss possibilities of Alia flying there. There are also discussions underway for the bui-Iding of a hotel in partnership with China to boost tourism between the two countries.

Mr. Ghandour commented on the emphasis being given to the U.S. market by saying that there is a large number of Arabs and Jordanians living in the United States and Arab companies have strong economic relations with that cou-

The evidence for the success of the U.S. market, said the Alia president, is that Alia started with one flight a week to New York in 1977

which reached daily flights this As for the possibility of opening a route to South America. Mr. Ghandour said that, although there were large Arab communities there, the area's present economic situation is not enc-

"although we have received transport rights from Brazil and Argentine via North Africa. The Jordanian national carrier has 4.750 employees including 250 pilots, 150 engineers and 550

ouraging Alia to open a new route

flights attendants. In the early days, the first four capitals which Alia flew to were Cairo, Beirut, Jeddah and Kuwan, 'Since then." Mr. Ghandour said. "the number started increasing according to the priorities of the

Jordanian people." Alia flies as far as New York in the west and Bangkok in the east. including all the West European capitals and Arab capitals in the Middle East, the Gulf and North Africa. excluding only Algeria. Mr. Ghandour said.

would link Jordan to the Arab and world countries. Through this bridee. Jordan exports education. culture and trade to serve the Jor-Mr. Ghandour said.

According to the Alia chairman who has held the position thr-"for the last 10 years Alia has made a profit despite the eco-1983 was a year of economic dif- emational Airport.

ficulties because of the recession in Europe and the Middle East and the airline companies have

suffered. "IATA member companies alone lost \$1.500 million." Mr.

Ghandour said. As for Alia, it did not incur any losses but at the same time it did not register the profits it had during the previous years. It was a year of sufficiency

"We are looking at 1984 with hope and confidence as the economic recession is fading away gradually." Mr. Ghandour said.

"We trained our people on the new aircraft which we received the pilots, the engineers and the traffic officials in the airport." Mr. Ghandour added that Alia transferred from the old (Marka) airport to the new Queen Alia Intemational Airport "in a matter of 12 hours without delaying or cancelling any flights."

The five TriStars, which will be purchased by Alia during the coming three years, will cost \$180 million including \$40 million for spare parts.

Payment for the new five aircrafts will be made through loans which will be received from the British government Export Credit Guarantee Department, the U.S. Export-Import Bank and other commercial banks. Mr. Ghandour

The (government-owned) corporation's 1982 revenues amounted to approximately JD 130 million with an operational profit close to JD 6 million, of which the net profit came close to JD 1.7 million. Mr. Ghandour told areund 20 journalists who attended the press conference at Alia hea-

Mr. Ghandour said Alia expected to break-even this year despite the effects of the world recession. The revenues this year was expected to total JD 145 million. down from JD 184 million in

Answering a question on the possibility of operating Amman-Aqaba flights with smaller aircraft, possibly the Arab Wings. Mr. Ghandour said that Arab Wings is licensed for chartered flights and not for regular

was to have a national carrier that small aircraft on this particular route but up till now we have not made a feasibility study."

Carrying out assertive marketing policies. Alia has proved danian people and support the itself capable of being ecocountry's economy. I cannot ima-nomically feasible. Mr. Ghandour said, adding that Alia has contributed considerably to the national economy by establishing. hotels. Arab Wings a joint freight company with Iraq - Arab Air Cargo Comapny — and par-ticipating in the planning and supnomic recession in the world, ervision of the Queen Alia Int-

King points out obstacles in peace efforts

(Continued from page 1)

leadership of the organisation.

Destabilising the PLO

These are ominous indications and dangerous results. However. the most serious aspect of the new situation is the attempt to contain and control the PLO primarily by one Arab faction and its extremist clients within the PLO a move which is illegitimate and illegal, and totally unacceptable to us. the overwhelming majority of the Palestinian people and the majority within our Arab World.

A successful containment of the PLO by some is bound to impose a constrain on the freedom of the PLO for independent political action as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. It would ultimately deprive the people under Israeli occupation, and in the diaspora, of a genuine representative voice to express and defend their interests in international councils. The absence of functioning public institutions to articulate the wishes of the principal Palestinian constituency, that of the Palestine Arabs under Israeli occupation since 1967, has compounded the pressures under which we have had to labour during the last few years. The savage onslaught on the Palestinians in northern Lebanon, coupled with Israeli policies in the occupied territories, is intended to perpetuate the present status quo: Allow Israel to annex the West Bank formally, and leave the territorial integrity of Lebanon permanently compromised. The outcome is a confrontation between two potential regional powers seeking to impose their hegemony on the whole region.

It may be a mere platitude to have often stated that time is of the essence, but I am afraid that now time has all but run out on us all. Repeated attempts have been made to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict, but they have all failed because people of goodwill have lacked the decisiveness to undertake effective action to preempt the work of those who do not want to see peace and justice prevail. It is a matter of considerable and great concern that in political circles throughout the world there seems to be lack of a clear appreciation of recent events in our region, though they are likely to leave their permanent imprint on the Middle East. There is little doubt that the general situation in

be urgent collaborative action to deal with the rapid deterioration which is taking place. The danger is no longer that of local or limited clashes between Syrian forces. PLO fighters and the Israeli army. but of aconfrontation between the two superpowers that could involve the use of deadly weapons which have caused so much alarm

in Europe. For a period of several years the Soviet Union has been effectively excluded from the peace process in the Middle East, while sole responsibility for peace making is assumed by the United States. In the wake of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the Soviet Union lost influence and prestige in the Middle East. However, the global role which the Soviet Union plays as a superpower is a function of world power politics. As such, the Soviets could not be simply relegated to the sidelines, as the Palestine people and their representatives have consistently been pushed aside and ignored.

A convergence of interest between the Soviet Union and some local powers and forces in the region made it possible for the Russians to recover their position and challenge the exclusion imposed by the United States. Meanwhile. the United States has found it extremely difficult if not impossible, despite the presence of propitious conditions, to make progress on the peace front without Palestinian representation and Soviet co-operation. American policymakers have focused their attention on Lebanon, but the Lebanese crisis is, in the main, a consequence of the Arab-Israeli dispute which has been allowed to be

completely overshadowed. The military intervention by the Multinational Peacekeeping Force in Lebanon is fast becoming a dangerous diversion which pits the superpowers one against the

Until. and unless, its continued presence there is directly related to securing an unconditional total withdrawal of all foreign forces in that country and its recovery of its total sovereignty over all of its territory within a reasonable time frame, is linked to serious commitment by all factions of the Lebanese community to reconcile all their past, present and likely future differences and to serious progress towards that end and a new

beginning for Lebanon. It is only natural that Jordan alation in the nuclear arms race in Europe. Interdependence between the nations of the world has taught us that the danger of war in Europe threatens our survival as much as war in the Middle East undermines the security of Europe. It is of vital importance to us all that a dialogue between the two superpowers should be embarked upon so that a common approach to peace making in the Middle East could be formulated. It will be a constructive move on the part of Europe to highlight the need to involve the Soviet Union in the peace so that the danger of mounting polarisation may be prevented and tew disastrous eruption averted. After all, if Security Council Resolution 242 is the only universally accepted foundation for a Middle East peace, then all permanent members of the Security Council of the United Nations have a recognised direct responsibility to contribute to its implementation with its clear formula of total withdrawal for total peace and the additional perpetual guarantee of the security of all states in the area once a long sought comprehensive peace is est-

We expect Europe to play a fully positive role to defuse the confrontation between the two superpowers and take an active part to guarantee peace in the Middle East, which is bound to come one day.

We are, of course, fully aware that while the outside powers are able to defuse or compound a situation, it is the parties concerned in any particular dispute which must agree to the terms of the final settlement. I do not have to tell you that Jordan - King, government and people have tried their utmost to contribute to the success of several peace initiatives. We have followed every avenue. exploited every opportunity and bent over backwards to accommodate friend and foe alike, to see a just and lasting peace prevail in our troubled region. Jordan has firmly supported all international initiatives to resolve the Palestinian and Middle East problems. Our co-operation with ambassador Gunner Jarring following our direct participation and contribution in formulating Security Council resolution 242 of 22 November 1967, was total and genuine, as was our participation in the Geneva conference in 1973.

Jordan also welcomed the joint

the Middle East has grown more should not want to see that, as Soviet-American communique of stion as the "root cause" of the Europe for the Venice declaration of 1980 as a step in the right direction. In the same spirit, Jordan welcomed the Soviet call for an international conference to discuss the problem with all the parties concerned, including the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. Although we could not begrudge Egypt the recovery of its occupied territory, we could not accept the Camp David accords. because they shunted aside the Palestinian question, the crux of the Middle East problem. The accords which made possible the conclusion of a partial peace, shifted the strategic balance in Israel's favour to emerge as the dominant power in the region, and brought about the present dangerous situation. Jordan played a similarly con-

structive role within the Arab community of states. These efforts culminated in the pan-Arab Fez plan of last year. The plan was preceded by the Reagan initiative and Jordan has been active to combine positive elements from both plans to make a just and comprehensive settlement possible. Both plans are based on the provisions of United Nations resolutions 242 and 338, which offered all states in the region, recognition and security within their own boundaries. I welcomed the Reagan proposals from the very out-set. And wanted to see them evolve and develop. They were not comprehensive enough from our perspective, but marked a refreshing change from previous approaches to a settlement. The injection of fresh impetus into the peace process was welcomed and perception of the Palestinian quenoted with keen interest President Reagan's interpretation of the Camp David provisions on the status of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to be essentially part of Arab patrimony. The omission of a link between Israel's security needs on the one hand, and the recognition of Arab legitimate rights in Palestine on the other, was unfortunate. We had high expectations that the president's call for freeze of the construction of settlements and concomitant demographic movement in the areas under Israeli occupation would be heeded. It is a matter of more than just regret that despite a total Israeli rejection of the president's initiative, decisive action was not forthcoming and the vitality of the initiative was allowed to dissipate, with it the peace process has, as matters stand, lost its In the same spirit which mot-

mometum. ivated my Hashmite forebears, I have come to you as an advocate of peace and co-operation among the nations of the world. World peace and international cooperation must be based on the preservation of the dignity of man and the rule of law.

Only wise and brave men seize rare opportunities to make the world a safer place to live in. Let us hope that we have both the wisdom and the courage, not only to grasp these opportunities, but make them as well. I am in no doubt that the current prevalence of strategic thinking is detrimental to peace. It neglects the aspirations of people and their expectations for a better life. If we fail people, we fail ourselves and allow the spectre of nihilist fanaticism to appreciated, as was the president's triumph. I hope and pray we shall succeed where others have not.

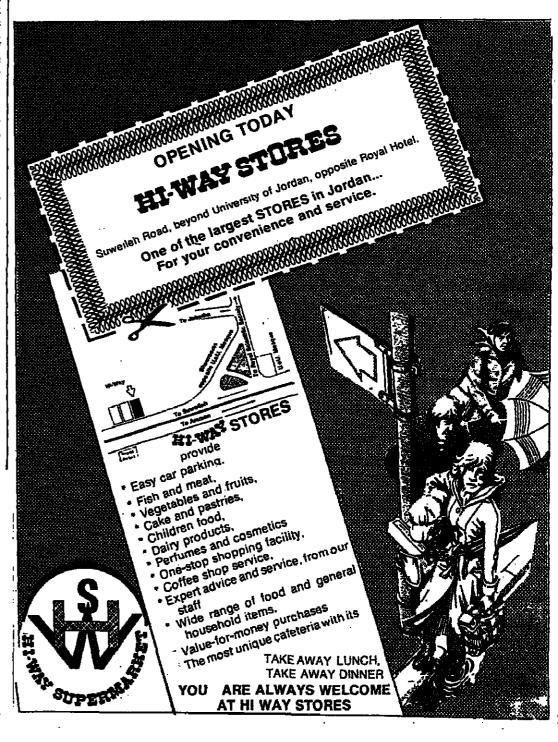
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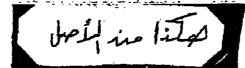
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Friday

Al Ra'i: U.S. peace mirage

PEACE AND security in the Middle East and Europe are so important to stability in these strategic regions. The destiny of the peoples in these two regions should definitely not be left to the changing moods of individual ambitions and hegemonistic thrusts. Against such concepts. His Majesty King Hussein delivered his strongest appeal to the peoples, governments and parliaments of Europe from the rostrum of the European parliament in Strasbourg.

The King called upon Europe to play an active role in establishing a genuine peace in the Middle East which would be an essential factor for European peace and security; he also called on the Europeans to play a more effective role to reduce tensions between the two sup-

The King's appeal is the most ardent proclamation yet rejecting a unilateral role by the U.S. for peace in the Middle East, a policy which has unmasked its genuine substance in the U.S.-Israel agreement for strategic cooperation, and ruled out any neutral American mediation role for the region. Hence it is no longer justifiable for the U.S. administration to assume unilateral efforts for Mideast peace, for it is time Europe and the Soviet Union moved actively to establish real peace, as peace cannot be a commodity that Israel uses in its dealing with the U.S. administration for serving the interests of those two sides only.

The King has chosen to clarify to the Europeans why peace efforts in the region are in jeonardy. It is American hesitation vis-a-vis Israel's rejectionist attitude towards peace and international legitimacy. In effect, the U.S. role has become part of the Israeli scheme. and it has as a result contributed to the continuation and exacerbation of Arab differences. It has become a national duty to uncover the American role and point out the mirage behind the American peace illusion.

Sawt Al Shaab: Danger spreading

IN HIS address before the European Parliament. His Majesty King Hussein meant to convey to the European nations an Arab message of peace, linking Mideast peace with that of Europe. The King wanted to explain to the Europeans that the polarisation is starting to engulf the whole world thus threatening new regions and peoples, the Middle East included. The lack of an international effort to obstruct the confrontation drive in the world arena has allowed an increasingly dangerous situation to prevail in international relations. tween the deterioratine situation in the Middle the arms race makes it imperative for Europe to play a more effective role in reducing tensions and defusing the mounting threat of a rapidly deteriorating world situation due to increasing tension between the two superpowers, the King said in his address.

The U.S.'s unbalanced stance towards the Middle East and the predominance of polarisation considerations over peace requirements have been a major obstacle to Mideast peace. The U.S. has failed to play a fair role as a mediator, and Israel's continued rejection of the international community's will while resorting to the force with American support has been of great consequence in foiling all peace efforts in the region. The poorly-concerted Arab stance together with the inter-Arab differences have facilitated such a development, which has led to complete Arab involvement in the superpower polarisation game. It is time the persistent American drive to exclude the Soviet Union from the peace process in the region was checked, and things put in their rightful course with regard to this issue. Europe and the USSR should be given the chance to play a greater role in Mideast peace efforts.

Thursday

Al Ra'i: Measure of harmony

THE U.S. naval bombardment of targets in Lebanon, accompanying Israeli gunboat firing on Palestinian positions in Tripoli, can only mean that the U.S. and Israel have intensified their plans and are now implementing the provisions of their recently declared alliance. No doubt the bombardment will minimise the chances of an early pullout of Palestiniiaforces from Tripoli and delay the arrival at an agrcement between the Lebanese factions to end the communal conflict in Lebanon. Needless to say, such delay in both actions serves the interests of Israel which wants Arab blood to continue to flow and internal Lebanese strife perpetuated.

The U.S. shares with Israel this feeling and these goals since inter-Arab conflicts and more bloodshed among the Arabs can only distract their attention from the Palestine issue - the crux of the Middle East crisis and the original cause of all the region's tragedies. Not only will the Palestine question be shelved but also the Lebanese question will remain unresolved, which means maintaining Israeli troops in Lebanon and the prolonging the ordeal of the Lebanese and the Palestinian people there. The bombardment of Tripoli and southern Beirut demonstrate the measure of harmony in the U.S.-Israeli plan which has been provided for in the strategic alliance.

Al Dustour: Looking to France

THE PEOPLES of the Middle East region look to France with admiration and respect. They see in France the cradle of those principles born with the French revolution of the 18th century, the principles that spread throughout the world. We look to France as a great nation that can play an important and unique role in solving our region's problems.

Our respect to France was expressed by His Majesty King Hussein who praised that nation and its stand vis-a-vis the Middle East question and Arab rights. France certainly has a major role to play within the European Community and in the world at large and for this reason Jordan pins great hopes on France and the role it can play to restore stability and peace to our region.

Sawt Al Shaab: Point of no return

THE U.S. has now switched its role from that of a peace mediator to a partner in Israel's crimes and aggression against the Arab Nation. This is manifest in its bombardment of Arab targets in harmony with Israel's goals and in a conserted efforts with the Zionists aimed at perpetuating the sufferings of the Arabs and their problems. As long as the Lebanese issue remains unresolved the Palestine problem and the sufferings of the Palestinian people will not end.

Nakasone: 'Riding a bicycle against a north wind'

By Yuko Nakamikado

TOKYO — Saddled with Japan's biggest post-war political scandal, the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) of Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone is on the defensive in the run-up to the Dec. 18 general election.

Campaigning for the poll, six months ahead of schedule and only a year after Mr. Nakasone took office, officially started Sat-

But politicians began wooing voters several weeks ago when it became clear that Mr. Nakasone would go for an election to break a political deadlock stemming from the Oct. 12 conviction of former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka in the Lockheed bribery scandal.

Mr. Nakasone, who is putting his own popularity to a crucial test suspense last week by dissolving

the House of Representatives and Honshi naming polling day.

Setting the tone for a campaign in which opposition parties will try to make maximum political capital out of the Tanaka verdict, Mr. Nakasone said: "I feel as if I'm riding a bicycle against a north

The decision to call the election ended a six-week-long political stalemate caused by an opposition boycott of parliament to try and force Mr. Tanaka to quit his seat.

Mr. Tanaka has appealed against his conviction and a four-year prison sentence for accepting, while in office, a \$2 million bribe from the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. He has resisted all pressure to relinquish his backstage role as Japan's political kingmaker and the main force behind Mr. Nakasone.

He is standing for re-election in in the election, finally broke the the third constituency of Niigata prefecture on the main island of

Mr. Tanaka has held the seat being returned by voters who appreciate the public works and other material benefits he has won for them over the years.

The main thrust of the election is the number of seats the LDP is likely to lose as a result of public unease over the Tanaka affair and the issue of political ethics.

The LDP, in power for 29 years, held 285 of the 511 seats in the old House of Representatives.

Political analysts attributed its big win in the last general election in June 1980 to a large sympathy vote attracted by the death during the campaign of the then Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira.

This time, according to analysts, the party is certain to lose seats. but is very unlikely to lose its majority because of the disarray among the opposition groups.

The main opposition Japan Socialist Party (JSP) held 100 seats in

rmed neutrality is unlikely to have since 1947 and seems assured of any greater appeal to voters than

in the past. Latest opinion polls show the LDP has a good chance of being returned with 270 seats, which would ensure that it retains chairmanship of all 18 standing com-

absolute control of parliamentary business. Such a result would also guarantee that Mr. Nakasone is returned as LDP president, and prime minister when his two-year term as party leader is up for re-

mittees of the Lower House and

analysts said. But they cautioned that a significantly poorer showing by the LDP could trigger factional party squabbling and undermine Mr.

Nakasone's position. In pre-campaign jostling. Mr. Nakasone has tried to divert public attention away from the Tanaka affair by emphasising his own

the old house. Its platform of una- role as Japan's spokesman in international affairs.

The 65-year-old prime minister, who played host recently to President Reagan, told party officials this week: "I have made a few promises to top leaders of other countries.

"If we lose the election, then the credibility of Japan and the party will go down."

LDP Secretary-General Susumu Nikaido said in a newspaper interview that the LDP campaign would emphasise national security and economic issues.

"The LDP will make it clear election next November, political during the campaign that ethics and morals alone do not dominate politics." he said.

According to a survey last month by the state-owned National Broadcasting Corporation, five per cent of 1,800 voters polled said they would shift their ail- ted Democratic Party three. There

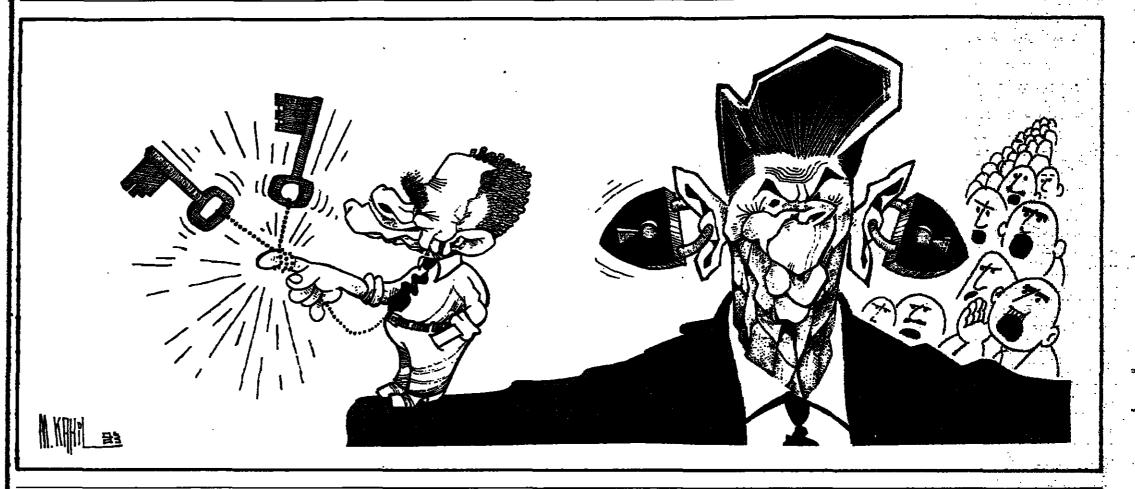
For Mr. Tanaka bimself, the election will decide whether he continues to instinuin his dominant role in Japanese politics.

His faction, which bold 65 seats in the previous house, is con-

testing at least 84 scats, the largest bloc among the six major LDP fac-

In his own seat he is being chailenged by Akiyuki Nosaka, a 53-year-old novelist, who resigned an independent seat in the Upper House to contest the election. Mr. Nosaka is given no chaace of winning.

Apart from the LDP and Socialist Party, the Buddhist oriented Komeito Party beld 34 seats in the old House of Representatives, the Democratic Socialist Party 31, the Japan Communist Party 29, the LOP-splinter New Liberal Club Itt and the Socialist-splinter Uniegiance to the opposition parties were six independents and 13 vac-because of the Tanaka affair.



Controversy over the press anti-trust in France

PARIS - The French Government, hoping to please its rank-and-file supporters with a new law to break up press empires, is unexpectedly facing cries of alarm from leading figures on the

The anti-trust bill, subject of a major parliamentary debate that started on Thursday, has aiready come under attack from an arsenal of opposition leaders and publishers who say it is an assault on press liberty and free ent-

But more deflating for the government is the concern expressed by certain editors and intellectuals on the left, and even Socialist deputies, who approve the principles behind the law but fear in practice

it may backfire. The government says the bill will bring greater pluralism to the press and prevent concentration of ownership by limiting the number of daily newspapers a group may control and preventing a group having a stake in both the

national and regional press. Based on one of the Socialists' 1981 electoral campaign promises, the bill met storming applause when unveiled by Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy at the

party congress in October. Political analysts said the promised measures were designed as a morale-booster for the Socialist rank-and-file, hit by a string of local election defeats for the left and by economic austerity measures introduced by the government last March.

The attraction of the bill to many on the left is its attack on France's best-known press magnate, Robert Hersant.

The 63-year-old publisher controls 39 per cent of the national newspaper circulation through his ownership of Le Figaro, its virtual carbon-copy L'Aurore, and Fraace Soir.

His group's growing empire in the provinces comprises about 15 local papers and accounts for 14 per cent of total regional newspaper sales in France.

Mr. Hersant, a right-winger who also owns numerous periodicals and print plants, has long been a bitter enemy of the left.

He published his first newpaper. Jeunes Forces, during the Nazi occupation of France. It was the self-styled organ of the Vichy government youth forces. His past, while rarely mentioned pubtoday, helps expalin the

Left's campaign against him. Since 1981, the government has pursued him for alleged tax evasion and for raising the cover price of Figaro in contravention of price

It has tried to speed up a court case brought against him five years ago when he was charged with contravening a 1944 Decree. which has never been applied, forbidding a single person to own more than one paper.

Meanwhile Mr. Hersant's group has continued to expand, with the purchase this year of one of France's biggest regional newspapers. the Grenoble-based Dauphine

Mr. Hersant says that under the new law he would be obliged at the very least to sell either the morning paper Le Figaro or the evening France Soir. He has warned that 3,000 jobs would be in jeopardy if France Soir was forced to

Henri Nogueres. Socialist president of the French Human Rights League, told the parthe bill that it was badly drafted said. and would enable Mr. Hersant's empire to continue.

He called for the implementation of the 1944 Decree. which is tougher than the Socialists' bill.

Mr. Nogueres also criticised the absence of measures in the bill to put the newspaper industry onto a sound financial footing.

Most Paris dailies and many regional newspapers are being squeezed, hit by declining circulation from magazines and statecontrolled television.

Mr. Hersant prides himself on having turned the fortunes of Figaro, which was losing heavily to its main competitor, the left-leaning Le Monde, when he bought it in 1975. Now, he says, Figaro sales exceed those of Le Monde by about 25 per cent.

Last week Le Monde announced that 110 of its 1,300 employees would be asked to take and protect the independence of spapers, for example. the newspaper. Le Monde has a circulation of 450,000.

A big criticism of the bill, voiced by aiming at Mr. Hersant it ignores the many regional press monopolies that suppress competition across France.

July cited the example of Ouest



France, whose sales throughout Brittany and Normandy give it the biggest circulation of any newspaper in France at nearly 00.000 copies.

The bill tends to freeze the situation in the press as it is and not as it ought to develop with fleliamentary committee examining xibility and inventiveness." July

The bill has some supporters. among them Claude Perdriel, director of the pro-Socialist daily Le Matin. who says it will create new space for small newspapers to

But others on the left, like pol-

itical sociologist and writer Maurice Duverger, feel that if antitrust legislation is a good thing this particular bill is a botched-up job. Mr. Duverger, writing in Le Monde, said the law should tackle and competition for advertising other monopolies, such as the state's control over television, instead of merely trying to settle old

> "Is this press bill one of those good intentions which pave the roads to hell?" He asked.

Socialist deputies in the National Assembly, in common with some journalists, are concerned that the bill is too vague on the key issue of preserving editorial independence.

Many feel it is weak in other early retirement to prevent losses respects, doing nothing to encfor the third year running in 1984 ourage the creation of new new-

But they are expected to support the government against the huge opposition offensive - hunby Serge July, editor of the left- dreds of amendments to delay the wing newspaper Liberation, is that bill and a vote of censure which was debated on Wednesday.

Socialist deputies favour importing the text as much as possible. commented Le Monde. "But backing down is unthinkable."

Nordic nuclear free-zone urged By Richard Wallis

STOCKHOLM -- A Soviet generai's proposal to dan nuclear weapons from three Soviet republics on the Baltic seems aimed at breathing new life into the almost moribund idea of creating a Nordic zone free of nuclear weapons.

Gen. V. Tatarníkov was quoted in a Finnish newspaper Saturday as saying the republics of Latvia. Lithuania and Estonia could be included in a nuclear-weapon-free zone, the latest Soviet hint that Moscow is prepared to broaden the zone concept.

The idea of a Nordic nuclearweapon-free zone was first proposed by former Finnish President Urho Kekkonen in 1963. It was recently taken up by neutral Sweden, but the proposal fell flat this summer when the other two countries in the region. NATO members Denmark and Norway, ref-

Last March another senior Sov-Geneva disarmament talks, floated the idea of including the Bal-

tic Sea in a nuclear-weapon-free

The proposal was formalised in June by Soviet leader Yuri Andropov when Finnish President Mauno Koivisto visited Moscow. and Mr. Andropov offered to include unspecified parts of Soviet territory in the zone.

Saturday's interview made clear the Andropov offer referred to

areas adjacent to Finland. The offer on the Baltic states by Gen. Tatamikov, identified as a

spokesman of the Soviet General Staff, comes only a few days before Finnish Foreign Minister Paavo Vaeyrynen is due in Moscow on an official visit.

Recent NATO moves to start installing medium-range U.S. cru-

ise and Pershing-2 missiles in five West European countries have led iet officer. Gen. Nikolai Tjervov to suggestions by some Finnish of the Soviet delegation to the politicians, hastily denied by the pons have undermined the cre-

dibility of Finnish neutrality. One guiding principle of the Nordic balance" since the World War II has been to preserve Finnish neutrality.

Finland is committed to defend the Sovier Union against any attack against it through Finnish territory by Germany or its allies under a 1948 treaty of friendship

and co-operation. Finland announced recently it was stepping up its air defences in order to counter the threat of cruise missiles overflying its territory on their way to the Soviet Union.

Hardline Finnish Communists however have said the NATO deployment justified invoking the treaty's clause on military consultations with Moscow, a step Finland has always resisted.

The killing goes on in N. Ireland

By Colin McIntyre

Reuter
BELFAST — A fresh-faced. scholarly-looking young man who was a rising star in Northern Ireland politics was chatting outside the gates of Queen's University in Belfast before going in to teach his morning law class.

Without warning two young men, casually dressed like the students hurrying past them, rose from behind a low wall. One pumped four shots at

point-blank range into his head and back, still firing as he lay slumped on the pavement. Edgar Graham. 29, brilliant

cademic and Protestant poltician, died almost instantly, unable to reach the gun he legally carried for his protection.

His killer stuffed his own gun into a folder held by the other youth and both escaped on foot through the red-brick Victorian buildings of Northern Ireland's premier university.

The death last week of Mr. Graham, a prominent member of the Official Unionist Party (OUP), the largest in the province, brought condemnation from all sides but little sense of shock in this part of Britain where violence has become a way of life.

After 14 years of sectarian and political strife between the Protestant pro-British majority and Catholic Nationalist minority, violent death is an ever-present reality for those involved in politics or security. Mr. Graham, buried last week, was the 2,340th person to

die since the latest spate of vio-

lence began in 1969. Of these, 191 were policemen. 507 soldiers and 1.642 "civilians". The last category includes guemillas fighting on each side of the sectarian and political divide. Nationalists like the Irish Republican Army (IRA) fighting to end British rule, and loyalists like the Uis-

counter them. It also includes politicians, a target for the gunmen since 1971. ctuaries - bars, churches, hoswhen the IRA shot Unionist Senator John Barnhill and Home Aff-

ter Volunteer Force (UVF) who

the latter survived. A year later a unionist councillor with police connections. William Johnston, died from an IRA bullet. In 1973, loyalists kidnapped and stabbed to death Cat-

holic Senator Paddy Wilson. The last prominent politician to die before Mr. Graham was the Reverend Robert Bradford, a then, but many people stick to Unionist member of the British Parliament, who was gunned fixed allegiance. down by the IRA in his constituency advice centre two years

Several leading politicians have had narrow escapes. OUP leader James Molyneaux has had bombs placed outside rooms he was in on a Belfast church as they left evetwo occasions, but each time the ning mass, but the worst attack on devices were defused.

Top local politicians, such as

mally have had one, but because three church elders

of his firm advocacy of law and order and his meteoric political career marking him out as a possible luture party leader, he was reported to have headed an IRA

Security sources said he was flered a bodyguard but declined.

although he did carry a gun. The continuing violence has affected many as it has moved from the streets and country lanes into places once considered sanpitals and universities.

Because the vast majority of airs Minister John Taylor, though bars in Northern Ireland are segregated along Protestant and Catholic lines, they were the first to become targets of the guerrillas. After a spate of car bombings in the early 1970s, bar doors were

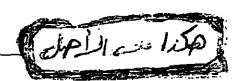
surrounded by metal cages and windows bricked up. Two bombs alone killed 28 people. . The position has improved since

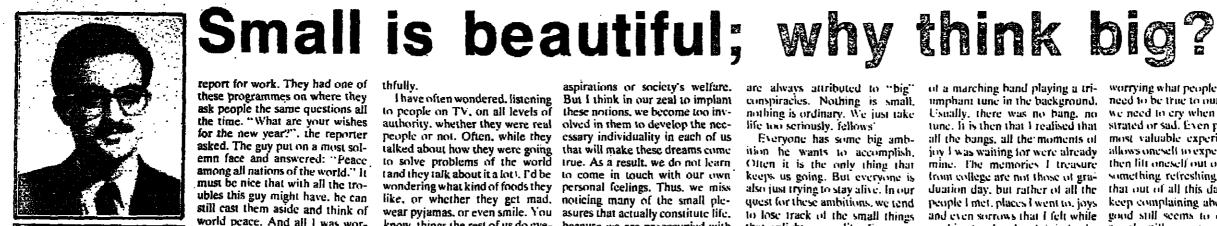
guarded city-centre pubs with no Churches have also been targets

in a war with a strong religious flavour, and police say dozens have been destroyed or damaged. In 1975, two young Catholics were gunned down on the steps of.

a church came last month. Gunmen burst into a tiny woomembers of the parliament in den Protestant gospel hal in a London, are now provided with border county and fired on the bodyguards as a matter of course. Pentacostalist congregation as Mr. Graham would not nor- they were singing hymns. killing.







Talking straight Marwan

I had the TV on the other night while trying to finish writing a

Muasher

report for work. They had one of thfully these programmes on where they I have often wondered, listening ask people the same questions all to people on TV, on all levels of the time. "What are your wishes for the new year.". the reporter authority, whether they were real olved in them to develop the necpeople or not. Often, while they essary individuality in each of us asked. The guy put on a most soltalked about how they were going emn face and answered: "Peace to solve problems of the world among all nations of the world." It tand they talk about it a lot). I'd be to come in touch with our own must be nice that with all the trowondering what kind of foods they personal feelings. Thus, we miss ubles this guy might have, he can like, or whether they get mad. still cast them aside and think of wear pyiamas, or even smile. You asures that actually constitute life, world peace. And all I was worknow, things the rest of us do eve- because we are preoccupied with rying about was finishing a 10-

This TV behaviour is but a manifestation of a phenomenon that is part of the nature of mankind, but the world today is that we worry particularly of our culture in this past of the world. We tend to think appear to; and not enough about that everything important is of necessity also big. We grow up with a reinforced notion in commaybe if we start noticing the small, little things that take place position subjects, at school, at home, that we should always think of national dreams, of big ambguy on TV looked heavy to me. What if he just looked straight into itions. Society as a whole is always over-emphasised, and traits of individuality are seldom allowed to lose five kilogrammes off my to nurture. It is not wrong, of course, to have big dreams. One shodescribing his feelings more truuld never lose vision of national phenomena. Even our troubles

are always attributed to "big" aspirations or society's welfare. But I think in our zeal to implant conspiracies. Nothing is small, these notions, we become too invnothing is ordinary. We just take life too seriously, fellows: Everyone has some big ambthat will make these dreams come ition he wants to accomplish,

Often it is the only thing that keeps us going. But everyone is also just trying to stay alive. In our noticing many of the small plequest for these ambitions, we tend to lose track of the small things that enlighten our life. For most some long-term dream. An anspleasures we get in life lie not in attaining a life-long goal, but in wer by that man on TV of "I wish to lose five kilos" is socially unathe moments of joy, in the expecceptable, because we are always criences we pick along the way. taught to bypass our personal We often expect satisfaction to ambitions in favour of bigger aspcome at the culmination of our efforts, when it is really a gradual irations, which unfortunately injection that takes place evemany times remain just that. The fact is we often utter sentences ryday, an injection we do not alwthat we do not really mean, but avs teel. that are socially conforming.

When I was a high school stu-I often wonder whether we give dent, all I dreamt about was getlife a bigger size than it actually ting a university degree. The day I deserves. We dramatise evedid get it was one of the most rything. We put this hallow around it, and think of all events as anti-climactic days in my life (Tvehad my share of them . You alwthe cause or result of some "big" ays dream it is going to happen with a bang, or may be the sound

Usually, there was no bang, no tune. It is then that I realised that all the bangs, all the moments of joy I was waiting for were already mine. The memories I treasure from college are not those of graduation day, but rather of all the people I met, places I went to, joys and even sorrows that I felt while

isfaction in life from such few days rather than from all the other ord-What I am getting at is that we need to be more involved in our ordinary, day-to-day life, and learn to appreciate all the pleasures of the ordinary life that are there, that we fail to see. We need wives or husbands, or be meer to people at the office. We need to be crazy sometimes, and stop thi-

nking we have to be solemn or

perfect 24 hours a day. We need to

pity if we expect to get all our sat-

of a marching band playing a tri- worrying what people will say, We the extraordinary? umphant tune in the background, need to be true to ourselves. And good still seems to emerge and working for that day, It is indeed a people still seem to want to help something good to say about

humanity today. We need to learn how to experience ordinary life in all us divour opinion, we give one out of our daily experience that we and others can relate to, instead of to listen and talk more to our chi- mean. These everyday expldren, or pay more attention to our criences, if we allow ourselves to notice them, will give us clearer a lamight be crazy, but I think the insights into our bigger visions, day I bear a IV reporter ask somand help give us the sincerity needed to at least try to make these dance to a tune if we like it without - not the ordinary that often creates - good shape.

A lot of people are just afraid of we need to cry when we feel fru-failing, of appearing imperfect or strated or sad. Even pain can be a maive it they express what they most valuable experience if one think are insignificant feelings allows oneself to experience it and they have. So what "It people then lift oneself out of it. There is won't do things unless they're persomething refreshing in thinking—feet, nothing would ever get accthat out of all this daily mess we complished. It is nice it we can acckeep complaining about, a lot of lept our imperfections as part of being human.

Have you noticed that when you other people. Fam still looking for miss someone, you usually don't miss his ideas on peace, or her theory of relativity? You miss his laughs, or her voice. You miss what you considered impersity, so that when we are asked effections like maybe how she is alraid of cockroaches' You miss his silly habits. You miss the ordinary aualities more than the exirepeating cliches we don't really raordinary attributes, Indeed, you might miss the fallible traits before you do the perfect ones.

I might be crazy, but I think the come what he wishes for the new year, and the unswer comes. To visions come true. After all, is it lose live kilos". I'll know we are in

Language of Jesus still kept alive in 3 Syrian villages

By Michael Sheridan

MAALOULA, Syria - Long forgotten by Christian churches, the spoken language of Jesus Christ is kept alive by the inhabitants of

three remote Syrian villages. The residents of Maaloula and two neighbouring villages are the only people who still speak what scholars call the Western Aramic dialect, which was the everyday language of Roman Palestine during the lifetime of Jesus.

l'oday, it is virtually a dead language, studied only in a few Western universities and surviving in ancient texts and fragments of scr-

page report

I am not against worrying about

big things. But what is wrong with

too much about big problems (or

small ones, it seems to me that

in our lives, we'd have less big

problems to worry about. That

the camera and just said. "I wish

weight". He probably would be

But to the carpenter and greengrocer of this primitive, honeycombed village clinging to the mountainside, it is the everyday language of business, children's

chatter and neighbours' gossip. "Of course everybody here can speak Arabic, but among themselves they speak the language of our saviour," said Father Mic-

hael Zaqoura, of the Monastery of Saint Sergius or Mar Sarkis. Father Michael, a jovial man

who offers visitors a goblet of monastery wine to ward off the mountain chill, has made a study of the survival of spoken Aramic here in the foothills of the Anti-Lebanon Range, about 60 kil-ometres north of Damascus.

"First, this village had a long tradition of pilgrimage and religious devotion. Second, it was isolated and at odds with its surrounding territory." he said.

"Isolation and fervour - that kept the tongue alive."

Maaloula means " the entrance," named after reputed miracle when the Sheer Mountain split to open an escape route for an early saint fleeing persecution.

true. As a result, we do not learn

l'oday, its tumbledown houses. some blue-roofed and others hewn from the cliff face, straggle up the yawning gap in the hill.

Father Michael's monastery, sitting atop the rock, was once a pagan temple. It became a church

Two books of the Bible were written in Aramic. Daniel and Ezra. The Lord's prayer, which Christians recite the world over. was first spoken in this language."

Father Michael said. The villagers, intrigued that their dialect should make them a curiosity for linguists and historians, gladly speak its soft. Ilowing tones into a tape recorder.

It sounds similar to Arabic but is more gutteral.

Traffic offenders face stiff penalties in Iraq

By Subhy Haddad

BAGHDAD Stiffer penalties await road traffic offenders in Iraq as the government tries to reduce the number of accidents which kill or cripple thousands of people every year.

More than 100, 000 accidents were recorded in the past four years, according to traffic authorities, although there are less than one million cars in the whole

month in jail if they fail to fasten their seat belts or if they throw eigarette butts through car windows onto the relatively clean strects of Baghdad.

A car owner who lets a relative or friend take the wheel without a driving licence is liable to a 250dinar (800-dollar) tine and/or up six months imprisonment.

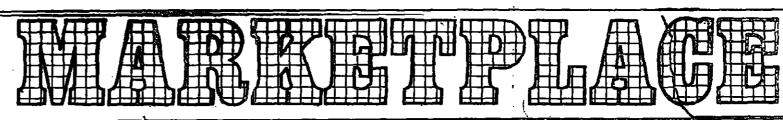
Many accidents are caused by youngsters and by relatives of soldiers killed in the Gult war with

Under a recent law, motorists Iran who are given new free cars as face heavy fines or up to one compensation but have not driving experience.
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increased about ten-fold in the past 10 years.

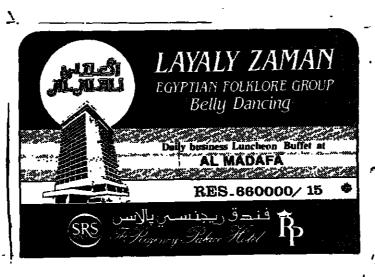
Officials say Iraq is one of the world's largest importers of cur snare naris.

Iraq makes heavy vehicles andalso plans to manufacture Volkswagen Passat cars under an agreement with Brazil, but for the time being saloon cars have to be imported. mostly from Japan.



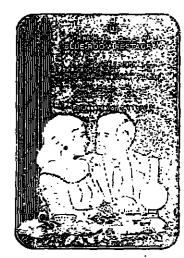












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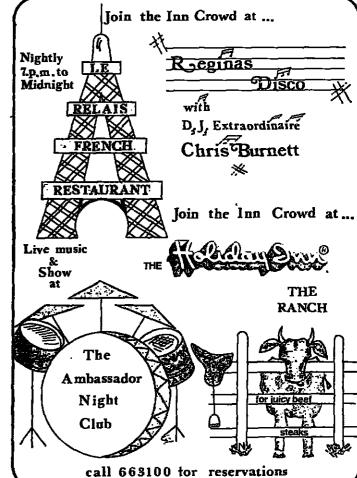
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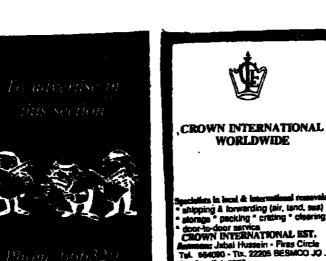
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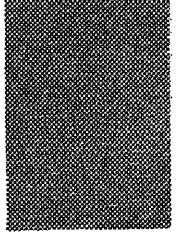


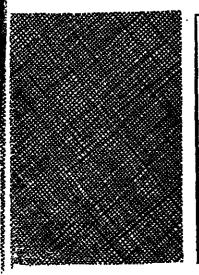
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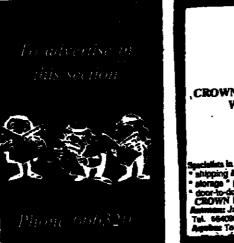


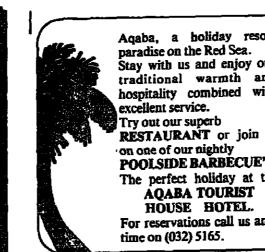


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Bauer advises Australians after beating Sweden's Jarryd

SYDNEY (R) — American Mike Bauer handed out some strong advice to Australia after beating Swedish Davis Cup player Anders Jarryd for a place in the New South Wales Men's Tennis Open semifinals here on Friday.

Australia names unchanged

Swedes." Bauer said after defeating Jarryd 6-7, 6-4, 6-0.

"I simply overpowered Jarryd. I basically blew him off the court with my serves and that's what the Australians have to do.

"You guys have to attack. Get on top of the net and put the ball away - fast. It's no good playing them from the baseline.

Australia meet Sweden in the Davis Cup final in Melbourne on

Dec. 26. Pat Cash, one of the Australian team along with Paul McNamee.

SYDNEY (R) — Australia named

an unchanged team Friday to take

on Sweden in the Davis Cup tennis

final starting in Melbourne on

Brian Tobin. President of the

Lawn Tennis Association of Aus-

tralia, said Australia would be

represented by John Fitzgerald.

Patrick Cash, Paul McNamee and

Mark Edmondson, "The team

pretty well selected itself," he

All four played in Australia's

previous Davis Cup matches aga-

inst Britain. Romania and the

semi-final against France when

Fitzgerald beat leading French

player Yannick Noah to give the

Australians an unbeatable 3-1

There were also no surorises in

Olsson said it would be led by

December 26.

team for Davis Cup

"Power, power and more power John Fitzgerald and Mark Edm-- that's what you need to beat the ondson, cruised past Lloyd Bourne of the United States 6-3, 6-1.

Cash now meets Joakim Nystrom, who put out American Robert Seguso 6-1, 6-3, proving himself worthy of his Swedish team

place. Nystrom's results here and in the Australian Open have increased his chances of replacing Jarryd in the second singles position alongside Australian Open Champion Mats Wilander.

Although Nystrom says he will need to win this tournament to have a chance of playing in the

Australian Open winner Mats

Wilander, supported by Anders

Jarryd, Hans Simonssen and Joa-

But he refused to say whether

Jarryd or Nystrom would fill the

second string singles spot behind

Although many experts forecast

that Wilander will win his two sin-

gles rubbers. Tobin said: "I didn't

think we could win a match against

Noah. We did, so the possibility is

there that we can take one off Wil-

"Obviously he's going to be tough and much of the work will

be concentrated on the other guy.

Australia has won the Davis

Cup 24 times, with the last victory

kim Nystrom.

whoever he is.'

the Swedish team. Captain Hans coming in 1977. Sweden's sole win

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singles. Swedish captain Hans Olsson is impressed with his performance so far

"Before we came to Australia I was thinking a lot of Jarryd, but Nystrom's results here have been very good and he has shown he can handle grass." Olsson said.

Bauer, who ousted U.S. Open Champion Jimmy Connors in the second round of the Palm Springs tournament in February, now meets compatriot Marty Davis in the other semifinal.

Davis rallied from 2-5 down in the first set to beat Australian Brod Dyke 7-6, 7-5 on Friday. After his match. Cash said he feels the five set matches of the Davis Cup will play more into his

"The three-set matches here suit the Swedes more, but I feel I am better at five sets." he said.

crop of goals against Malta here

on Saturday to secure a place in

next year's European Soccer

The Dutch, who beat Spain 2-1

here last month to go to the top of

Group Seven, are a blend of exp-

erienced and younger players and

have shown distinct promise rec-

Coach Kees Rijvers hopes they

will eventually match the squad

who took the Netherlands to the

Yorld Cup finals in 1974 and

The Netherlands and second-

placed Spain each have 11 points

from seven matches. But with a

six-goal advantage over Spain.

Championship finals.

Singapore to host Asian Cup football

SINGAPORE (R. -- The 1984) Asian Cup soccer, the premier tournament for the continent's footballers, will be held in Singapore next December, the Asian Football Confederation announced on Friday.

The matches from next Dec. 2 o 17 will feature eight qualifiers from 29 countries playing in four pools and the two teams exempted from qualifying - 1980 winners . Kuwait and hosts Singapore.

The 10 countries in the final round will be divided in two groups for round robin matches befare the semi-final knock-out between the top two from each group to decide the teams for the final. Confederation Chairman Hamza Abu Samah said its exe-

The Dutch crushed Malta, bot-

tom of the five-team group, 6-0 in

December last year, and Rijvers

can repeat the dose in the Fey-

team who beat Spain and pulled

off a 3-2 away win against Ireland

in October after trailing 2-0 at hal-

The Dutch hope to knock at

least another six goals past Malta

to set Spain a daunting task aga-

inst the Maltese in the final group

Malta's squad include nine pla-

yers who faced the Dutch a year

match next Wednesday.

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successes of the 1970s, hope for a favourites to qualify for the finals

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in France.

Dec. 28 to decide the schedule and venues for the qualifying pool matches planned for between April and September.

The 29 teams in the qualifying rounds will play in the following four groups: Group I - Iran. Thailand.

Syria, Bangladesh, Indonesia. Burma, Philippines.

Group II — Saudi Arabia. India, United Arab Emirates. Malaysia, Oman, Nepal, Sri

Group III - South Korea. Japan. Bahrain. North Yemen. Pakistan, Lebanon, Macau.

Group IV - Iraq. China. Jatar. Hong Kong. South Yemen, Jordan. Brunei. Afghanistan.

Dutch out for big win to reach European finals ROTTERDAM (R' - The Net- whose remaining game is also at herlands, determined to revive the home against Malia, the Dutch are his team to lose but said the main

Malta goalkeeper John Bonelio, who has played well even though 20 goals have been conand his team are confident they ceded by the side in six matches. said: "I don't know why the Dutch are fussing. 3-0 is enough for them Rijvers keeps faith with the to qualify."

UEFA drops bribe investigation

BERNE (R: - The European Football Union (UEFA; Thursday dropped its investigation into a charge that an attempt was made to bribe Dutch soccer club

disciplinary committee considered the case, UEFA said Groningen had given insufficient proof of its allegation.

The Dutch club said a month ago that trainer Hans Berger was offered 25(1,000) guilders (about \$85.000; to ensure the club lost a UEFA Cup second round, second leg, match against Inter Milan in Bari on November 2.

ago. Coach \ ictor Scerri expects

job was to keep the score as low as

Groningen.

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Khan scales greater heights

MUNICH, West Germany (R) -At only 19, world squash champion Jahangir Khan of Pakistan has already reached summits of sporting success that few other athletes have ever scaled.

Jahangir. 20 last Saturday, beat Chris Dittmar of Australia 9-3, 4-6. 9-0 last week to take his third successive World Open title.

The Pakistani's victory extended an unbeaten run lasting almost 32 months and marked his first world title win without the loss of a single game in the entire championships.

His semifinal demolition of Egypt's Gamal Awad, who was only permitted a single point. showed that the gap between Jahangir and the rest of the squash world is still widening.

Squash players are supposed to peak in their early 30s and Jahangir has the dedication to go on improving a game which already appears to be close to perfection.

Jahangir, latest member of a distinguished squash-playing clan. says his recipe for success is simple lots of hard work, no alcohol and plenty of curry.

He trains for at least six hours a day, half of which is spent practising on court, mostly on his

The rest of his time is devoted to fitness work through a carefully worked out programme of longdistance running, sprinting, jumping and swimming.

"It's my job and I enjoy it." he says. "When I get fed up I'll leave

Jahangir believes there are many leading players who could beat him - if they were prepared to train as hard as he does and forego the pleasures of alcohol.

Although he plays down sug-gestions that he has an extraordinary natural talent for the game, watching him perform leaves the indelible impression of a genius at work.

While other players huff and puff Jahangir seems to glide effortlessly round the court, never appearing under pressure. He hits the ball with a ferocity

which few opponents can deal with, has every shot in the book at his command and, most important of all, almost never makes a mis-

Jahangir first picked up a racket at the age of 10 but his grandfather, who learned the game from the British, had already found a true squash dynasty. Jahangir's father Roshan Khan



Jahangir Khan - latest member of a distinguished squash-playing

was British Open Champion in 1956 while his uncle Hashim Khan dominated the game in the 1950's, winning seven open titles. Jahangir moved from Pakistan

to London in 1979 to live with his brother Torsam, another leading world player. Soon afterwards he entered the

orld Amateur Championships in Australia and won as a 15vear-old qualifier. "It was a big surprise to me and everyone else."

But a few weeks later tragedy struck the Khan tamily when his brother died of a heart attack during the Australian Open.

"I stopped playing squash for two months, "Jahangir recalls, "But my family pushed me and urged me to achieve my brother's ambition to be world champion."

Since then Jahangir has won every major title, many several times. His last defeat was against former World Champion Geoff Hunt of Australia in the 1981 British Open.

Later that year he beat Hunt. who has since retired, to take his first world title.

Jahangir is now under the wing of his cousin Rubmat Khan and family connections continued to help him during the Munich Chainpionships.

I love curry and luckily I have a relation in Munich who has cooked for me." he said. -The modest champion, who has

homes in both Karachi and London, returns to his native country this week for the Pakistan Open. "I expect there will be rec-eptions for me." he says, smilingly

shyly. "I'm like a hero tor them at He refuses to divulge how much money he makes from squash, Apart from prize-money he has

his own unsquashable rackets and sportswear company and a number of sponsorship deals. His supremacy in the game was best put in focus by world number two Ozmar Zaman, also of Pakistan, after Insing to New Zea-

lander Stuart Davenport, 21, in a World Open quarter-final match. Asked it Davenpart had the abilay to be world champion. Zaman answered: "Of course, in 10 years time when Jahangir retires."

Fans, newspapers enraged over India's test defeat

liamentarians and newspapers have called for the resignation of cricket officials and wholesale changes in the team following India's crushing defeat by the West Indies in the fifth test in Cal-

Indian fans' frustrations boiled over at the Eden Gardens ground on Wednesday after the West Indies touring team won by an innings and 46 runs to take a winning 3-4)

lead in the six-test series. Calcutta's Telegraph newspaper on Thursday quoted eyewitnesses as saying enraged fans hurled stones, bottles, oranges

and tomatoes and shouted abuse

NEW DELHI (R - India's par- at the Indian players after the maich.

They attacked a bus carrying the Indian side back to their hotel, breaking windows and injuring middle order batsman Ashok Malhotra and team manager Abbas Ali Baig. India's captain Kapil Dev was a

particular target for the angry fans who threw bottles and oranges at him while he was being interviewed with rival skipper Clive Lloyd by local television.

In an editorial, the Telegraph blamed officials of India's Cricket Board for organising tours during the close season and the bad selection of players.

"The same team which had been welcomed by delirious crowds waving garlands... was yesterday pelted with stones. A team which had stunned the world by becoming undisputed World Champions (in the World Cup).... has the Indian cricket lover equally stunned at the pits it has dip-

It said India had only one bowler of test standard, skipper Dev. and no-one comparable among the batsmen after accomplished opener Sunil Gavaskar hit a bad patch recently.

Indian parliamentarians on Wednesday expressed unhappiness over the defeat and called for the resignation of N.K.P. Salve, president of the Board of Cricket Control and minister of state for steel and mines in Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's cabinet.



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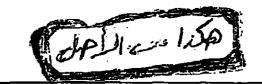
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U.S. payments deficit soars to record \$12b

WASHINGTON (R) — The U.S. balance of payments deficit soared to a record 12 billion in the third quarter of 1983, mainly due to a strong dollar, slow growth abroad and economic troubles in developing countries, the government said Thursday.

The figure exceeds the deficit of \$11.2 billion for all of last year. The previous quarterly high was \$9.7 billion in the second quarter of this year.

The large deficit prompted Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige to predict that the 1983 deficit will be pear \$40 billion. If his projection proves accurate, this year's shortfall will more than double the previous high in 1978.

The report from the Commerce Department was on the broadest measure of U.S. trade with the rest of the world, the current account of payments for merchandise and

For the first 9 months of this year, the payments deficit was slightly over \$25 billion.

Mr. Baldrige attributed most of the deterioration in the current account balance to a poor export

U.S. exports have suffered because economic troubles abroad have impaired purchasing power. Many of America's best customers, particularly for farm products, are struggling with debt burdens and finding it difficult to increase imports.

The high value of the dollar also makes American exports more expensive than rival products on markets oversees. Mr. Baldrige held out little hope

that the U.S. trade situation would turn around soon. "Much higher trade and current

account deficits are in store for 1984." he said.

Gold declines sharply

LONDON (R) - The U.S. dollar resumed its rise on foreign exchange markets Friday, reaching another record against the French franc and its highest for nearly 10 years against the mark, while the price of gold fell sharply.

Despite heavy intervention by the Bundesbank, the West German central bank, the dollar was fixed in Frankfurt at 2,7713 marks, its highest level since it began its climb of recent weeks.

In later trading it was even stronger, touching 2.7% marks at one point in a brief bout of heetic selling and closing at 2.7750.

Gold, confirming its loss of favour as a "refuge," traded down to \$373.50 an ounce in London, for a loss of some \$18 an ounce since Thursday night.

Dealers detected no new factors affecting its price except the rising dollar and high U.S. interest rates.

Traders in Hong Kong Thursday forecast that gold could slip as far as \$350 an ounce - a level not seen for more than a year. It closed Thursday at \$389.25, opened Friday at \$381,25 and

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LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Friday.

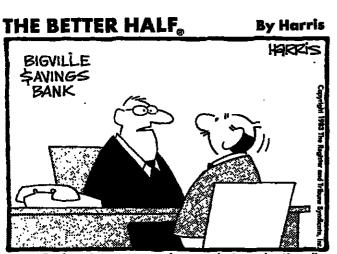
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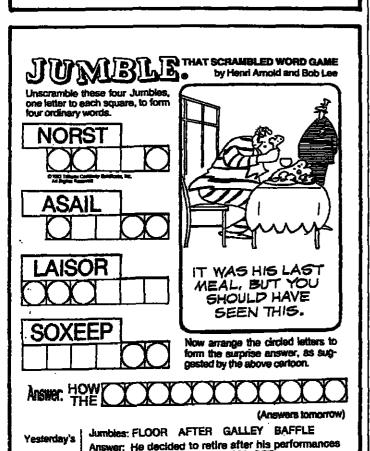
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'Mr. Parker, I suppose you're wondering why I'm all dressed in black? Your checkbook died today!"



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NEWS IN BRIEF

USSR reports record natural gas output

MOSCOW (R) — The Soviet Union has achieved record output of natural gas this year with 509 billion cubic metres already extracted and 26 billion more due by the end of the year, TASS said Thursday. The excess gas, some 35 billion over last year's total production of 500.7 billion cubic metres would constitute the largest annual increase in production in Soviet history, TASS said.

Israeli inflation soars towards 200%

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) - Israel's crisis-ridden economy received another jolt Thursday with the announcement that inflation leapt by 15.2 per cent in November. Experts predicted it would take the annual rate for 1983 to almost 200 per cent, far exceeding the current record of 132.9 per cent in 1980. The Israeli economy is beset with huge balance of payments deficits and foreign debt. Inflation was fuelled by emergency economic measures last October when the government devalued the shekel by 18 per cent and halved food subsidies.

Harvester staves off bankruptcy

CHICAGO (R) — International Harvester staved off bankruptcy Thursday when its 200 creditors agreed for the third time in three years to reschedule its \$3.5 billion debt. The company said its losses for the year to the end of October fell to \$485 million from \$1.74 billion last year. Harvester expected to obtain agreement to sell its Seddon-Atkinson lorrymaking subsidiary in Britain to

World Bank to lend Morocco \$115m

WASHINGTON (R) - The World Bank said Thursday it would lend \$115.4 million to the Agricultural Credit Bank of Morocco to help finance a 3-year agricultural expansion project. The Agricultural Credit Bank would provide an additional \$226.2 million while farmers and other aid and commercial banks would contribute \$217 million, the World Bank added. The credits would help improve the living standards of about 580,000 farming families and create about 28,000 new jobs.

USSR, Finland sign trade protocol

MOSCOW(R) - The Soviet Union and Finland Thursday signed a 5-year trade protocol for an annual turnover of goods worth some 5 billion roubles (\$3.5 billion), much of it in barter trade. TASS reported. Finland is the Soviet Union's largest Western trading partner after West Germany. TASS said there would be increased emphasis on compensation deals, a developed form of barter trade common in dealings with communist centralised economies. The two sides also agreed to coordinate their production more to each other's market and noted a mutual interest in increasing the supply of Soviet natural gas to Finland by pipeline.

China joins Multi-Fibre Arrangement

GENEVA(R) - China. the world's largest textile producer, was admitted Thursday to membership of the Multi-Fibre Arrangement' (MFA), which regulates most world trade intextiles and clothing, trade sources said. The Chinese application was approved without dissent at a session of the textile committee of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which oversees the operation of the textiles pact.

Peru to sign letter of intent with IMF

LIMA (R) - Peru intends to sign a letter of intent with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to clinch a standby loan before Jan. J. a senior central bank official said Thursday. Peru must sign an 18-month standby loan with the IMF to draw more than \$320 million in foreign loans frozen when the country cancelled its 1982-85 agreement with the IMF last October over a failure to meet budget deficit targets set by the fund. Parliament Thursday approved the 1984 budget of 10.72 trillion soles (\$4.64 billion) despite a boycott by most opposition members who charged the budget served the interests of the IMF and not of Peru. The budget's biggest outlay is 3 trillion soles (\$1.3 billion) to service Pru's \$12 billion foreign debt. Parliament passed a tax law on Tuesday to raise \$500 million needed to meet the IMF demands for a narrowed budget deficit.

European Parliament chief sets deadline for rebate freeze

STRASBOURG, France (R) - The president of the European Parliament has given community governments until noon on Tuesday to consider his assembly's grievances before he signs into law its decision Thursday to freeze a budget refund for Britain.

sent to community foreign ministers, who will consider the impasse over the British \$640 million rebate at talks in Brussels en Monday and Tuesday.

would be withheld until at least the end of March, effectively setting a new deadline for community governments to settle a range of problems threatening to push the 10-nation group into bankruptcy.

The British budget question is only one part of this complex problem, But Britain has insisted all along it will block solutions to other difficulties if there is no agreement first on a fairer distribution of the community budget

Parliament's vote was taken in the face of angry opposition by British Conservative and Labour

It followed the failure of talks budgetary system.

Parliamentary staff said Pre- with community governments sident Piet Dankert's message was where parliament tried to obtain assurances of early agreement on overall reform after deadlock at last week's Athens summit.

Parliamentary staff said the vote was the only way left for the Parliament said the rebate assembly to express its dismay at the Athens failure.

> Budget committee chairman Mr. Erwin Lange described the government's attitude as sloppy and negligent at a time when the community was extremely short of eash to finance essential social and other programmes.

But the British government and British members of the European Parliament said parliament's action was discriminatory.

The Conservative parliamentary spokesman in Strasbourg, Mr. Neil Balfour, said it was making a scapegoat out of the victim of the community's unfair

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Mr. Gould said parliament sho-

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U.K. parliament urged to debate Reuters flotation

LONDON (R) -- The opposition can be broken, and that the saf-Labour Party's spokesman on trade Thursday called for a debate in the British parliament on the proposed flotation of Reuters.

Mr. Bryan Gould, a television journalist elected to parliament last June, said in a statement the debate must be held before irrevocable decisions were taken.

The Reuter board of directors announced Wednesday it would seek a public flotation. It gave no details but said it would submit the plan to the Reuter trustees for their comments.

Mr. Gould: 31 sadd. To allow company's flouse Magazine, said:

the company to be floated as a "Preservation of the principles of public company without any saf-eguards would be to jeopardise the Reuter trust agreement has been the paramount consideration the independence, integrity and worth which have always been the hallmark of Reuters." He said that in 1941, when

there was a threat that Reuters operating profit last year to £36.7 might pass into undesirable or for- million, largely from sales of news eign hands, a parliamentary deb- and economic services. Some ate led to a trust agreement being stock market analysis put the drawn up. "Now we are told that the trust billion.

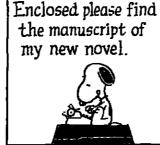
Shippers seek to retrieve stranded goods

DUBAl (R) - Shippers in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and elsewhere in the Gulf have started making arrangements to re-ship mounds of cargo stranded as a result of the problems of the Greek shipping firm Hellenic Lines.

Several of the financial-troubled shipping line's vessels have been impounded in the Sucz Canal. New York, Sharjah and elsewhere. leaving shipments stranded at ports around the Gulf.

Peanuts









Mutt 'n' Jeff



Andy Capp







FORECAST FOR SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1983

OPOSCO from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A good day for you to start the activities which are difficult for you to plow through during the busy week. Make a list of practical tasks that

face you and schedule your time accordingly. ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Analyze your financial position by adding up your assets and your liabilities. You may need the help of an expert.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study your appearance and see if you need a new hair-do or some new style to make you look more attractive.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be more willing to confront issues squarely instead of running away from them. This will improve your position in life. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Go to friends

for advice in order to get ahead faster in your career. The evening is best for recreational matters. LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) You have many civic and career

concerns to tend to. After that is done, take time to study so next week will run more smoothly. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Go after information you

need to put across a plan you have in mind. Then take a little trip. Make sure to drive carefully. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Be more willing to do what the one you love desires of you and be happier. Avoid that

temptation to over-spend; you'll regret it. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Contact those you want to associate with in the days ahead; make plans together.

Use care in driving and in speech. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Begin activities that can improve your weekly routine. Cooperate with fellow

workers. Go shopping. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Work out details of recreational plans so that all will go well later. Tend to the desires of your loved one. Do last-minute shopping.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Ideal day to spend time at home and get everything well organized. Entertain close friends in the evening.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Get shopping done early and buy gadgets that will be helpful in your work. Call on friends tonight. Drive with care.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she will be someone who is very magnetic and could get spoiled and not want to study or work but simply get by on looks unless you teach to become ambitious and know the joy of accomplishment. Include languages in schooling.

"The Stars impel; they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

THE Daily Crossword by Joel D. Lafargue

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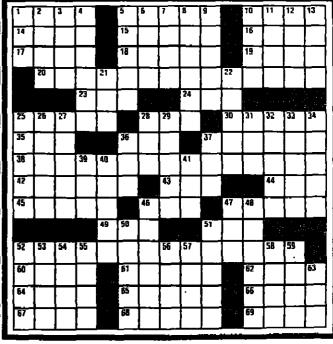
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WORLD

Karate expert foils knife attack on Japan's Quixotic candidate

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spaper Nihon Keizai Shimbun said

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The opposition gallery of soc-

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But Ishibashi remains firmly

Political analysis said it had suf-

The party has steadily lost sup-

TOKYO (R) — A man with a mountaineer's knife tried to attack an anti-corruption candidate opposing powerful former Prime Minister Kakeui Tanaka in Japan's general election.

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on parliament.

Police said the man lunged towards Akiyuki Nosaka, a novelistturned-politician, who was campaigning in the marketplace of Nagaoka in western Japan Thu-

One of Mr. Nosaka's campaign helpers, a former karate fighter. seized the attacker just as he was pulling the knile out of a paper

bag, police said. Police hustled the man off for questioning. Later they identified him as a precious metal dealer from outside the area and said he belonged to an extreme right-wing organisation.

Mr. Nosaka, a 58-year-old author, has been dubbed the "Don Duixote of Japan" for his seemingly hopeless campaign to oust Mr. Tanaka as a Member of Parliament for the third district of Niigata prefectore.

Niigata voters are still fiercely loyal to Mr. Tanaka, despite his conviction in October for taking a \$2 million bribe from Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, They remember civic benefits he provided for the area when he was in office.

Commentators have described Mr. Nosaka, who is standing as an independent, as a political Kamikaze pilot for looming lonehanded into a head-on election battle with the man they call Japan's "kingmaker".

Police said the assailant, aged about 40, admitted to interrogators that he wanted to wound vir. Nosaka, "It seemed to me he wanted to kill me." Mr. Nosaka told a press conterence.

Elsewhere in Japan, campaigning was non-violent but noisy as the Sunday polling date

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even in the heat of an election campaign, Mr. Ishibashi called Mr. Nakasone a fascist and siad his policies to strengthen Japan's defences were leading the country to

A turther selection of opinion vir. Nakasone countered the socialist attack by arguing that a polls showed Prime Minister Yasstrong defence torce was necuhiro Nakasone's pro-Vestern. essary to deter the Soviet Union. conservative government was likely to preserve a stable majority in which has huge military bases the 511-seat house of repnorth of Japan.

The socialist attitude on defence has alientated it from other opposition groupings, even the small Japan Communist Party (JCP which views unarmed neu-Party (LDP should capture at

language for a Japanese politician.

trality as unrealistic. Nevertheless VIr. Ishibashi says he will seek to put together a coalition government from opposition groups if the LDP does, as he forecasts, lose its majority.

Political analysts said that the centrist parties have launched a common attack on the so-called second largest opposition party. money polities" of the ruling the centrist Komeito Party, probably stood to gain most from voter disillusion with the LDP in the wake of the Lockheed scandal.

Opinion polls give them vir-tually no chance of gaining power. Affiliated to a powerful Buddhist organisation, the Soka Gak-Their best hope is to eat into the LDP majority and loosen its grip kai, the Komeito Party is the only political torce in Japan identified with religion. Its policies stress practical issues such as taxation. The main opposition group, the Japan Socialist Party (JSP . is tipeducation and improved social ped to retain or improve on the

Analysis believe the party. which held 34 seats before the dissolution, could pick up as many as 20 extra seats.

Party chairman Yoshikatsu Takeiri has campaigned vigorously on the issue of corruption in the ruling party, casting the LDP as the enemy of Japanese democracy.

He told one rally: "In the coming election I would like to see the end of the Liberal Democratic Party with its money-power and neutrality. In unusually strong corruption-probe politics."

In his victory address Tuesday

night Mr. Seaga, an anti-

communist, said he planned to

announce measures on Saturday



Britain's Prince Andrew, left, chats with actor Sean Connery at a London cinema when the prince attended the Royal Premier of the new James Bond

film "Never Say Never Again." Looking on are Connery's co-star in the film Barbara Carrera, centre left, and his wife Michelline (A.P. wirephoto)

Trudeau fails to convince Reagan

WASHINGTON (R: - Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau has won President Reagan's general support for his peace initiative but failed to convince him that the nuclear powers should hold an arms control summit.

"We wish to Godspeed in your efforts to help build a durable peace," Mr. Reagan told the Canadian leader when he took his campaign to the White House.

But administration officials said Mr. Reagan, like leaders from other countries Mr. Trudeau has visited, had not endorsed his plan for a summit involving Britain. France. China, the United States and the Soviet Union to discuss nuclear arms control.

Mr. Trudeau has travelled to six Western European capitals. Tokyo. Peking and the Commonwealth conference in New Delhi over the past two months to try to gain support for his peace

U.S. officials have said Mr. Reagan tends to oppose the idea of summits unless he is certain that they will produce concrete results in line with his administration's objectives.

"You don't have one just to say you've had a summit, because too many people get disappointed." Mr. Reagan said earlier this week when asked about the possibility that he might meet Soviet leader Yuri Andropov next year.

Despite his failure to win Mr. Reagan's support for a summit. Mr. Trudeau appeared satisfied that he had won some measure of backing from him.

He said Mr. Reagan agreed that the Western alliance should not try to gain military superiority over Moscow and its East bloc allies and should recognise their legitimate security concerns. "This is great step torward." he said.

He also praised last week's decision by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO to send foreign ministers instead of lowlevel officials to next month's disarmament conference in Sto-

Reuters, APP to form new company

world news organisation, and the Australian Associated Press Friday announced the formation of a new company to develop advanced communications facilities for distributing news and information by satellite all over Aus-

The new company, known as AAP-Reuters communications PTY Ltd., will establish a major new network based on the aussat domestic satellite system, recently given the go-ahead

The company plans to install its own transmit and receive dishes in all Australian state capitals, plus about 50 more receive-only earth stations in provincial centres.

In addition, subscribers in big cities will be able to receive information through multidirectional microwave networks. while recipients in the outback will receive satellite signals on special small dishes

The new company's headquarters will be in a \$4-million technical centre now being built in the Sydney suburb of Glebe.

Solidarity calls for demonstration

GDANSK (R) -- Underground leaders of the banned Solidarity trades union have called for demonstrations throughout Poland Friday on the anniversary of food riots in 1970 when dozens of workers were killed by police in Gdansk.

The union has urged workers to march from their factories and take part in peaceful protests against the country's communist rulers in city centres.

Solidarity leader and Nobel peace laureaute Lech Walesa will lay flowers at a monument to thedead workers outside the Lenin shipvard in Gdansk but has been forbidden to make a speech.

He sent the text instead to western reporters Thursday. It called on the authorities to revive Solidarity and share power on risk seeing Poland "go from one upheaval to the next."

Mr. Walesa said the country should be allowed free trade unions and courts and have less burcaucratic and political control of its economy.

"" ithout Solidarity, we will have long years of economic and political stagnation or, worse, material poverty and lack of hope for a better tomorrow," Mr. Walesa said.

At least 45 shippard workers vere killed during the 1970 rioting against food price rises, and many Poles believe the toll was considerably higher.

The authorities were expected to deploy heavy forces of police riday to prevent trouble.

The anniversary will be an important test of Solidarity's ability to mobilise popular support.

Argentina begins reform of military

BUENOS AIRES (R' - Argentina's new government has began a thorough reform of the armed forces after forcing over half the generals and two-thirds of

the admirals into retirement. It published draft legislation to reform the military code of justice and announced it would give the removing internal security from their control.

The purge of top-ranking off-icers resulted from the appointment of new military chiefs following the installation of Pre-sident Raul Alfonsin's elected government last Saturday.

The defence ministry named Gen. Julio Fernandez Torres, who is widely respected as a political professional soldier, as new joint chief of staff.

Gen. Jorge Arguindeguy, a moderate nationalist once considered close to the opposition Peronist Party, is the new army chief of staff. His assumption of command Friday will automatically mean the retirement of 26 generals senior to him. There

are 49 army generals. Government sources said Mr. Alfonsin would also seek the removal of several lower-ranking officers closely linked with human rights abuse, corruption and incompetence during nearly eight years military rule.

British motorist

out on a limb

YEOVIL England (R -- Police in southwest England are investigating how a bandaged human leg. wrapped in two plastic bags marked "limb for disposal" ended up by the side of a road. Motorist Philip Rose sound the leg near eovil. misread the word "limb" for "lamb", and took it home intending to feed it to his dogs, police said. Health officials would not say whether the find was from a local hospital but said that if their disposal system was at fault they would make every ellors to ensure it did not happen again.

Soldier gives lift to 2 detectives

GLOUCESTER, England (R) Soldier Alan Humphrey chose the wrong car to test his strength the one he hoisted into the air by its bumper was an uninasked police car with two detectives inside. Humphrey, a 25-year-old private. then smashed the car's rear window with his list and broke two window of a police van when he was arrested, a court was told Fri-

Toddler prince meets the press

LONDON (R: - Britain's Prince Villiam, 18 months old nestweek, stepped out to face the world's press and decided to make a dash for treedom. The tiny prince toddled off to a garden door in the grounds of London's Kensington Palace only to be led back to scores of photographers. by his father, heir to the throne. Prince Charles, William finally obliged with broad smiles that made the front pages of most British dailies Thursday. But the ondon Times also snapped himin less than regal pose - poking out his tongue.

Weish couple pick bed of nails

BARRY, Wales (R) - Weishman Alan Andrews got up Friday morning claiming a world record after lying on a bed of nails for 12 days. His fiancee Katherine Weston joined him for the final 34 hours and claimed the women's world record. Trained by a former record holder. Andrews, 26, passed the old Guinness book of records mark of 200 hours on Tuesday but stayed out to push the record to 273 hours.

Soviet murderer done in by melody

MOSCOW (R) - A murderer who lived a Casanova's life on a large sum of money stolen from his shop manageress victim has been executed in southern Russia. a Soviet weekly newspaper reported Friday. The man, named only as Zavoikin, 28, posed as a pop musician to impress the woman. After befriending her, he stabbed her to death and made off with jewels and cash worth 9.000 roubles (\$6,500). He then roved from city to city obtaining sex and accommodation from women whom he showered with gifts, but was caught because one woman musician became suspicious when this self-styled pop star got the tune of a popular melody wrong.

Circus camel drowns in drain

MELBOURNE (R) - A circus camel drowned when a lorry loaded with performing animals overturned into a flooded roadside drain south-east of Melbourne. police said. A female clown in the same circus was crushed to death by an elephant at a subrban Melbourne shopping centre two

9 killed in Peru jailbreak

LIMA (R) - Nine people were killed and six were wounded when police firing submachine guns prevented a jailbreak from Peru's biggest prison, a civil guard spokesman said. A police officer. seven prisoners and a nun held hostage by immates died in the abortive escape at Lurigancho prison in a western suburb of Limahe said. Three prisoners and three

U.S. may withdraw from UNESCO in '83

WASHINGTON (R. - The Uni- persisted in considering proposals ted States is considering wit- to create a new "world inf-hdrawing from the United Nations ormation and communications Educational. Scientific and Cul- order' despite a compromise on tural Organisation (UNESCO: the press issue approved in Paris U.S. officials said.

State Department spokesman John Hughes said a recommendation on whether or not to pull out would be submitted to Secretary of State George Shultz

before the end of the year. "For a decade there have been serious difficulties with UNESCO including politicisation. budget mismanagement, attempts to restrict the freedom of the press and impose economic regulation." Mr.

Hughes said. Another official who asked not to be named said Mr. Shultz and President Reagan might make a decision in the next two weeks because a calender year's notice

was needed for withdrawal. The official said UNESCO had become a political forum which sided with underdeveloped countries against industrial nations on world issues and tended to punish Israel by rejecting its archaeological and other projects.

The official said UNESCO also

last month. The Soviet Union and a number of underdeveloped countries pro-

posed press regulations that Western nations and news agencies said would restrict press freedom. The compromise rejected a Soviet proposal for punishing news agencies which UNESCO believes

distort news and called instead for studies of press distortion as well as stressing the need for press independence. The United States voted against UNESCO's \$374,4 million bud-

get last month on the grounds that the agency was too big and costly. But the U.S. officials said the decision on withdrawal was dif-

ficult because the United States would lose benefits such as access to scientific research through UNESCO if it quit. The United States might also

lose UNESCO's international copyright protection if it withdrew, the official added.

'Indonesian death squads should have stopped'

suspected criminals by shadowy death squads in Indonesia, alleged by human rights groups to have been organised by the government, should have stopped last August. Foreign Minister Mochtar Kusumaatmadja said Friday.

In the first government comment on the street executions since a domestic press ban was imposed four months ago. Mr. Mochtar told a press briefing that several foreign countries had expressed concern to him about the

"The official position is that these things are not supposed to have occurred after the president's speech in August when he said these measures had to be carried out within the dictates of the been the Netherlands.

polemics by answering these allegations." he added.

rights group, the regional council for human rights in Aisa, said after a meeting in Jakarta last Friday that more than 2.000 suspected criminals had been killed in Indonesia over the past nine months. the victims of "extra-legal exe-

Mr. Mochtar said however that the allegations were in many cases unproven and the figures were disputable.

ntries had expressed concern. but confirmed that one of them had

'1983 bad year for press'

took a further turn for the worse in 1983 with free speech respected and honoured in only a small part of the world, the International Press Institute said Saturday. "The rest of the world is gag-

in the institute's world press freedom review for 1983. Mr. Galliner said the world press watchdog has made more

LONDON (R) - Press freedom protests this year than at any time in its 32-year history.

"Most of the Eastern European countries continue to jail joumalists and writers, as does most of Africa, the Middle East, South. Central and Latin America and ged." director Peter Galliner said Asia," he said,

"Some do not even bother with the luxury of prisons, some prefer more direct measures like the bullet." he added.

osition Labour Party is catching Liberal-Social Democratic Allup with Prime Minister Margaret iance. Meanwhile, leaders of Britain's main print union, denied the backing of the full labour movement for an illegal national printing str-

LONDON (R) - Britain's opp- 21 per cent chose the centrist

Conservatives lose edge;

U.K. unionists talk tough

Thatcher's Conservative government in the opinion polls six months after her landslide election victory, according to an opinion poll published. Another survey suggested that half of Britain disapproved of the

since she won a second term of office in June. The first poll, published in the Guardian newspaper, showed that Labour had cut the Consevative lead to four percentage points

compared with seven points in November and 16 points in June. Of those questioned, 41 per cent said they would vote conservative if an election was called

now, 37 per cent said Labour and

ike, said they would countinue to defy the Conservative government's tough new labour laws. Thatcher government's record "The dispute is still on." Joe Wade general secretary of the National Graphical Association (NGA), said after leaders of the

> Bedford central England. But he acknoledged that a decision on how to continue the NGA's fight for full union membership at a northern English newspaper plant would probably have

union met at their headquarters in

JOHANNESBURG (R) - A series of bomb explosions in South Africa including attacks on three government offices has put the

A bomb went off at regional offices of the department of foreign affairs in central Johannesburg Thursday evening and seven

passers-by were injured by flying glass from the powerful explosion. Three more bomb explosions occurred Thursday night in the coastal resort of Durban as South

to be taken after Christmas.

iday weekend but there were no injuries and little damage. Friday is the anniversary of the first bomb attacks in 1961 by the military wing of the outlawed Afr-

him a favor by recommending "Contract Bridge," by Alan Truscott (Fell, hard cover, 88 pp., \$8.95. Available from Bridge World, 39 West 94th St., New York, N.Y. 10025 for \$8.50 plus \$.75 for postage and handling). It takes a newcomer in easy steps through the initial stages of bidding and the first steps in play. It has a novel method of evaluating distributional features, even though the

Prime Minister Edward Seaga has gained total control of parliament by winning all six contested seats in a general election boycotted by The victory, which gave the Caribbean nation its first one-party legislature, came a day after Mr.

Labour Party wins Jamaican polls

had won around 90 per cent against candidates from three obscure parties and three independents. Claiming victory Thursday

night at party headquarters. Mr. Seaga said he had never expected to win all 60 seats when he called elections last month, but was sat-

ley's People's National Party (PNP) has vowed to continue pol-The PNP had refused to take part in the election, saying the JLP had reneged on a pledge not to

end result doesn't differ

greatly from standard

The New York Times, held

the South cards in a recent

social game. He became

declarer in three hearts after

a competitive auction. West

led the ace of diamonds and.

in response to his partner's

signal, continued with a dia-

mond. East won and led a

third diamond. West discard-

ed a low spade and declarer

Since West did not over-

call immediately but only

balanced, declarer felt sure

that East held the king of

clubs. So rather than lead

toward the queen of clubs,

declarer elected to try for a

loser-on-loser play. He im-

mediately led a spade to his

king. West won the ace and

returned a spade. Declarer

won in hand, drew trumps in

two rounds ending on the

table, and led the ten of

spades, discarding a club

club, but declarer was in con-

trol. He captured the jack

with the ace, crossed back to

dummy with a trump and

discarded his remaining club

on the good nine of spades.

He lost only two spade tricks

and two diamonds.

West won and shifted to a

from his hand.

ruffed in dummy.

Truscott. Bridge Editor of

GOREN BRIDGE

LOSERS INTO WINNERS

methods.

KINGSTON, Jamaica (R - The Jamaica Labour Party (JLP, of orms were made, it said the use of would not participate in any elea three-year-old voting list meant ctions until the reforms, including 15 per cent of the electorate could a new voting list, are made. This may mean he will not take part in

With most of the votes counted municipal elections scheduled for in the six constituencies, the JLP

isfied with the 55 per cent turnout

been expressed that the govopposition, there has been com-

and the lack of violence.

ernment will not have an elected plete calm in the country." he told supporters.

"Although some concern has

aimed at giving Jamaicans a voice during the new one-party rule. There will have to be some changes to accommodate the new challenge which we must meet and will meet to ensure the public will have a strong voice and involvement in the running of the

country's affairs." he said. Mr. Seaga said he would swear in his new cabinet on Monday.

India has own nuclear reactor fuel'

NEW DELHI (R) - Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi says the country has developed its own fuel for a fast breeder nuclear test

reactor in South India. She told parliament it was now no longer necessary for India to get nuclear fuel from France. which designed the 50-megawatt reactor at Kalpakkam.

Indian officials said fast breeder reactors that the country was planning to set up could use the India's large reserves of radioactive thorium minerals. The reserves are officially estimated at 310,000 tonnes against a world total of 1.07 million tonnes.

eduled to be commissioned in 1984 and India had earlier sought enriched uranium from France. Meanwhile. Bulgarian President Todor Zhivkov and Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi have called for a halt to the arms

The Kalpakkam reactor is sch-

A joint statement issued in New Delhi Thursday at the end of Mr. Zhivkov's four-day visit to India. said both leaders had expressed grave concern about rising intemational tension and called for the restoration of detente. During their talks, Mr. Zhivkov

gave his assessment of the dep-

loyment of medium range nuclear

missiles in Western Europe and its

effect on East-West relations, the

statement said.

Mrs. Gandhi acquainted Mr. Zhivkov with efforts by the 101member Non-Aligned Movement, which she heads, to promote a dialogue on major political and economic matters, it added.

JAKARTA (R) - The killing of law." he said in response to a que-

"So I will not enter into these

A South East Asian human

He declined to say which cou-

S. Africa on holiday alert

authorities on the alert Friday, a public holiday of significance to both white Afrikaners and black guerrillas.

Africans began a three-day hol-

ican National Congress (ANC). hostages were injured.